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## REDS LIFT SIEGE OF MUKDEN

### Reinforcements Rushed Into Manchuria

Coal Meter  
Hits 7-  
Year High

London, Dec. 24.  
Coal output, the barometer of Britain's rising production, last week hit a new seven-year high and surpassed the weekly average for 1948, the Fuel Ministry announced today.  
British miners, who the recent Harriman report said, could "change the face of Europe," produced 4,000,000 tons in the week ending December 20.  
That topped by 44,000 tons the output of the previous week which also was a record breaker.  
It left Britain only 6,185,000 tons shy of its 1948 goal of 200,000,000 tons and the nationalised coal industry is certain the Labour Government's target would be surpassed.—United Press.

Dwellers Need  
Legal Standing

## KOWLOON WALLED CITY

Unless residents within the old walled Kowloon City have a legal standing they cannot expect the Chinese Government to intervene on their behalf, said a statement released from the office of the Special Commissioner (Foreign Affairs) for Kwangtung-Kwangsi, yesterday.

The statement added that the Kwangtung Provincial Government is investigating the legal status of the residents within Kowloon City and that the Commissioner's office is paying attention to the welfare of overseas Chinese in Hong Kong and will protect their legal rights.

A basic solution of the Kowloon City question, the statement continued, will be satisfactorily achieved in due course by the Chinese Government.

Meanwhile, the Commissioner's Office is dealing with the question according to the Chinese Government's instructions.

## HONG KONG WENT TO TOWN LAST NIGHT

Hong Kong set itself out to have a swell time last night and, judging by the gaiety which prevailed in all the hotels and restaurants, it succeeded.

The United Services Recreation Club started the ball rolling with its children's party which was a "howling" success.

The special Xmas Eve dances at the Hong Kong, Repulse Bay, Kowloon, and Star Hotels attracted capacity crowds who danced until the wee hours of this morning.

Earlier in the evening, last-minute shoppers who have "just remembered" a relative or dear friend for whom no provision had been made in the "must" presents list, jammed the stores.

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## Looting Breaks Out In Starving City

Shanghai, Dec. 24.

The Communist threat to Mukden was "virtually removed" following a decisive victory over infiltrating Red troops, a high government military leader told the Chinese press today.

General Lo Cho-ying, Deputy Director of the Nationalist field headquarters at Mukden, said the infiltrating forces were "badly defeated and large reinforcements are being rushed to the Manchurian capital from North China."

Gen. Lo said that large Nationalist forces are being rushed to Manchuria from North China and Gen. Fu Tso-yi's Suiyuan Chahar troops will take over the garrison.

Neutral observers pointed out, however, that any troop movement from North China to Manchuria will necessarily be delayed owing to the Communist disruption of communications.

Meanwhile, frontline dispatches reported a lull on most of the fronts in the Mukden area but fighting was reported in Hamulin, eight miles west of Mukden near the Jehol border. The dispatches said that the Communists after brisk fighting retreated westward.

A Chinese report from Mukden indicated that several cases of looting broke out inside the city when the starving populace robbed a rice shop and two Korean families on Tuesday.

Two ring leaders were caught immediately and executed. The report said that otherwise the city is quiet and calm but prices continued to soar.

**Central China**  
In Central China Liu Pei-chien's Communist troops split into several smaller units since they broke through near the Tapinghuan base—are again actively raiding Hopeh cities.

Chinese reports said that Liu is apparently trying to re-enter the Tapinghuan area and re-establish the base in accordance with the Communist overall plan to establish bases in West ern Hopeh and Tapinghuan.

The Central China Command troops under Gen. Pai Chung-hai were reported to be advancing northward along the Peiping-Hankow railway in an effort to clean up Red units and restore traffic.

Nationalist sources this morning admitted for the first time that the Communists occupied Weihsui on the northern coast of Kinohow peninsula in North Shantung, but claimed that the government troops recaptured the city after a brief Communist occupation.

Earlier reports said that the government troops were forced

## Cease Fire Details In Java

Batavia, Dec. 23.

The United Nations good offices committee announced today details of its plan for a demilitarised zone to give effect to the ceasefire first order in the Indonesian Republic's conflict with the Dutch.

Under the plan, accepted by the Dutch and Indonesians, each side will propose the demilitarised zone it thinks should be set up.

"In the event the parties do not agree," the plan said, "representatives of the committee will propose the limitations of the demilitarised zones, which the parties will be asked to accept."

The committee also proposes that upon acceptance of the zones by both sides there shall be an immediate resumption of normal trade.

"Upon acceptance of the zone limits, all forces in the demilitarised zones and those in territory occupied by the opposite side would 'move peacefully to the territory on the party's own side with arms and warlike equipment.'—Associated Press.

## XMAS HOLIDAYS

There will be no issue of the "China Mail" until Monday. The "Sunday Herald" will appear as usual on Dec. 28.

We take this opportunity of wishing all our readers a very Happy Christmas.

## Typhoon "Jean" Is Sweeping West Across The Pacific

Tokyo, Dec. 24.

Typhoon "Jean" is expected to sweep westward across the Pacific from the Palau island to a point 75 miles east-south-east of Samar, Philippines, at 9 a.m. Thursday. Tokyo time, the 43rd weather wing announced today.

Alert warnings were posted to central Philippines, while the Palau was given the "all clear" as the storm moved west-north-west at a steady 14 m.p.h. The maximum speed of the wind near the center was 80



As British troops and Palestine Police guarded the pilgrimage to the scene of the Nativity today, rain was falling from sullen skies over Jerusalem and Bethlehem.

About 4,000 British garrison troops took their last look at the Holy Shrine before Britain's withdrawal from Palestine, but thousands of other troops and police were on the alert behind sandbags and barbed wire, watching the mountains and valleys.

## Tram Services Stop Today?

Hong Kong's tram services are likely to stop today if employees of the Hong Kong Tramway Co., Ltd., decide, at a meeting to be held at five o'clock this morning, to go on strike.

This is a result of the failure of the Tramway Company to accede to their demands for the re-instatement of a motorman and several conductors who were dismissed recently.

The motorman was dismissed after being involved in a traffic accident in Des Voeux Road Central, near Lee Yuen Street. He was fined \$100 in the Police Court and had to pay his own fine.

Three conductors were dismissed because it was alleged that they had resold old tickets; one was dismissed for having allegedly sold Service tickets to civilians and another was dismissed for negligence in recording tickets sold.

On dismissal, the men were not returned the deposit of \$100 which they had respectively paid the Company at the time of their taking up employment.

In an interview with the Press last night, Mr. Chu King-man, representative of the employees, said that a mass meeting of over 400 employees took place yesterday in regard to this matter, following which a long fruitless discussion took place with officials of the Tramway Company.

Mr. Chu explained that employees were very much incensed over the action of the Company in dismissing several of their fellow workers without producing witnesses to substantiate the alleged offences, although repeatedly requested to do so.

Mr. Chu said that in view of the bus strike, employees of the Tramway Company were most reluctant to go on strike and thus involving further inconvenience to the public. However, it was felt that the attitude of the Company practically left them no other choice in the matter and a final decision would be made at 5 a.m. today.

Mr. Chu requested that the public will not think ill of Tramway employees should they

## Position In Palestine

### Arab Troops Gather At Mufti's Call

## State Of Siege Lifted In Greece

Istanbul, Dec. 24.  
A state of siege, declared in Istanbul and five European provinces of Turkey seven years ago when Italy invaded Greece, was formally lifted yesterday.

The Opposition paper, Vatan, hailed the end of military law which limited the rights and liberties of citizens and newspapers as "proof" that the "dictatorships of our country" is slowly fading into history.—United Press.

## Lindbergh Arrives In Hong Kong

Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, who lifted his plane into the early morning mist of May 20, 1927, and headed east from New York to world-wide fame as the first person to make a solo transatlantic flight from the United States to Paris, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday morning by Pan-American Airways Clipper.

Colonel Lindbergh is making an inspection trip for PAA with which he is associated in an advisory capacity. He plans to leave Hong Kong



CHARLES A. LINDBERGH

to-morrow morning for Shanghai and thence to Tokyo.

When he left Roosevelt Field, N.Y., in 1927, he was "Slim" Lindbergh, an obscure 25-year-old mail pilot; when he landed 33 hours and 29 minutes later at Le Bourget Field after a 3,600-mile non-stop flight over the great circle route via Newfoundland, Ireland and England, he was the

most famous man in the world, carrying it directly towards Manila.

Navy weathermen said that the time of its arrival may be delayed by blowing in the forward travel rate for eight knots. The storm was located at 0600 GMT by a Navy weather plane 700 miles east-south-east of Manila at position 12 north, 123.5 east.

The plane reported by knots winds in the center and 20 knots winds in the outer circle. The United Press is reporting that

## Bao Dai Ends A 2-Year Exile In H.K.

Ex-Emperor of Annam Bao Dai ended his two-year exile in Hong Kong yesterday when he boarded a BOAC plane for London where he will finalise negotiations with the French Government for the complete unification and independence of the three Indo-China Kys—Tonkin, Annam and Cochinchina.

Bao Dai was accompanied by Prince Vinh Cant, his cousin, M. Dinh Xuan Quang, Judicial Adviser, and M. Hendy Thinh, aide-de-camp. Mr. Luu Duc Trung, Bao Dai's accredited spokesman, originally scheduled to leave with the former Emperor, remained behind to attend to important official business in Hong Kong and China.

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## The Weather

Anti-cyclone still centered over Japan and Monrovia. A trough extends from Korea to Yunnan at 1000/1010 G.M.T. (3 p.m. H.K. time).

The typhoon now centered about 150 miles east of Hanoi probably moving WNW.

Forecast: — Moderate NW winds. Weather cloudy and chilly with some drizzle. Fair periods.

Yesterday's Weather: — Maximum: 64.5 deg. F. Minimum: 54.5 deg. F. Rainfall: 1.2 inches.

Barometer: 30.02 at 1000 G.M.T. (3 p.m. H.K. time). Wind: 10 knots at 1000 G.M.T. (3 p.m. H.K. time).

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## Europeans On Traffic Summonses

A number of Europeans appeared before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at the Central Magistracy yesterday to answer traffic summonses.

Charged with obstructing the public highway outside Holland House at 12.20 p.m. on December 19, Mr. G. S. Wobley, of the Education Department, was cautioned.

For proceeding along Hennessy Road at over 30 m.p.h. on Nov. 25, Francis Dominic Secluna, of Tung Lo Wan Road, Wanchai, was cautioned.

Appearing on a charge of obstruction, Montal Joseph Edward of Kennedy Terrace, was fined \$20. His car was found in Ice House Street on Nov. 23.

F.H. De Kantezew, of 10, Shonson Hill Road, was fined \$20 for leaving his car unattended outside Connaught Road Central.

Sergeant George Moore, of R.A.F. Signals, Tai Hang, was charged with dangerous driving on Nov. 17. He was apprehended by Traffic Inspector Reddish while driving a truck along Connaught Road at about 4.42 p.m. on that day.

### Withdrawn

The charge was withdrawn yesterday by Inspector Reddish in view of the fact that defendant had left by the Straits for England.

For driving without due care, two Sanitary Department lorry drivers were fined \$15 and \$75. F.W.D. 8216 was found by Inspector Reddish overtaking another lorry along Hennessy Road at 10.40 a.m. and at the same time overtaking a private car on the wrong side of the road. Charged with dangerous driving, defendant was fined \$50.

H.K. Motor Bus 4112 was also found by Inspector Reddish driving recklessly along Upper Albert Road. Defendant was fined \$75.

## Last Fling For Czechs

Prague, Dec. 23. Czechoslovakia's Christmas will be a last fling of comparative luxury before the Czechs buckle down to a hard and hungry winter.

Most Czechs will manage to have fairly generous holiday meals, including the traditional Christmas Eve fried carp, and goose with dumplings and sauerkraut for Christmas Day, candy and cookies strung on the candle-lit tree and an orange for everyone who has not gobbled up his ration of two distributed last week.

However, the January ration cards, distributed before Christmas, will give Czechs their lowest monthly rations since shortly after the war, while on December 27 a heavy luxury tax goes into effect on hundreds of articles, ranging from 20 per cent on liquor to 100 per cent on some luxuries.—United Press.

## Lavish St. Louis Funeral

St. Louis, Dec. 23.

Lavish funeral services marked by a procession of a 30-piece band and 48 limousines which tied up Christmas traffic, were held on Monday for Joe Lin, known unofficially as the mayor of this city's Chinatown.

The funeral was attended by Chinese leaders from 28 cities. Lin served seven years as President of the On Leong Chinese Merchants and Labour Association of the Eastern U.S. Christian services in Chinese were used, and certain rituals of the old country were retained in the rites.

Lin died on Dec. 13, aged 66. He operated a restaurant here.—Associated Press.

## CHIANG'S HOLIDAY

Nanking, Dec. 24. Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek are to fly to the mountain resort of Kuling this afternoon for the Christmas holiday.

The trip had been postponed for an important military conference.—United Press.

## The Christmas Spirit



Minister Jokop Tito takes a glass of wine from the wife of the Hungarian President in honour of the Jugo-Slav delegation at Budapest this month. Tito is in Budapest to sign a mutual aid agreement with Hungary. He has already signed a similar agreement with Bulgaria.—AP Photo.

## It Was A Nasty Trick —And He Went To Gaol

"A nasty trick and you will have to go to prison for eight months with hard labour," declared Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr to Kwan Chung-leung who pleaded guilty to the charge of larceny of \$1,000 from Chiu Yung on Dec. 20.

Det. Sub-Inspector D.S. Roberts stated that the complainant was the beneficiary of the accused. Complainant was a travelling trader and went to Macao on business on Dec. 10. There, he met defendant who was begging for alms. Believing the man's tale that he was a member of the Chinese Medical Corps, Chiu took pity on him.

When Kwan stated that he was willing to come to Hong Kong, complainant brought him back on Dec. 20 and permitted him to stay at his (Chiu's) house at 88 Lai Chi Kok Road, second floor. Defendant was also promised a job.

At 9 p.m. that night, complainant's uncle, Cheuk Sai-pak, lent him \$1,000 for his business. An aunt, Lau Su, acted as guarantor. The money was handed to Chiu at his house in the presence of the aunt and defendant.

**Took Off His Coat**  
Half an hour later, the complainant took off his coat (with the \$1,000 in one of the pockets) and hung it on a nail in the sitting room, preparatory to taking his bath.

When he came out from his bath, at 10 p.m., his aunt told him that accused had left and that before leaving he had tried on the coat and looked into the pockets.

On examining his pockets, complainant found that the two \$500 bills had disappeared. He reported to the Shamshui Police.

Suspecting that Kwan had returned to Macao, Chiu went to

## Break In Russian Church

Miami, Dec. 23.

The Russian Orthodox Church here today severed relations with the Moscow Patriarch, claiming that he is trying to implant Communism in American parishes.

The Church allies itself with the New York Archbishop "until the liberation of the Patriarch and the country of Russia from their ungodly yoke."—United Press.

## ARREST DENIED

Teheran, Dec. 23.

Reports of the arrest of Ghavam es Sultaneh were flatly denied by the authorities in Teheran today. It is now believed that he may shortly leave the country for Switzerland, where he wants to take medical treatment.—United Press.

## Yoshida Takes A Stand

Tokyo, Dec. 25.

Former Premier Shigeru Yoshida, presently President of the Liberal Party, speaking in Kochi, City on Shikoku Island, today demanded the resignation of the Katayama Cabinet, according to reports received in Tokyo.

He said in the Katayama Cabinet he no longer represents the populace and is unfit to be in office to face the forthcoming peace conference for Japan.

Meanwhile, a public opinion poll conducted by Jiji Press, revealed that 25.8 per cent of the people questioned supported the Liberal Party, 17.6 per cent supported the Social Democratic Party, 17.6 per cent supported the Democratic Party, 3.3 per cent the People's Cooperative Party and 2.9 per cent the Communist Party and 2.2 per cent supported the other political parties.

The remaining 30.5 per cent was said to support no party.—United Press.

## Typhoon Hits Yap

Washington, Dec. 23.

The U.S. Navy reported today that a typhoon struck the Island of Yap in the Marianas on Monday morning causing considerable damage, but leaving no known casualties.

Ninety-mile-an-hour winds drove an inter-island cargo ship aground and ripped away the roofs of houses, warehouses, power lines and bridges. The storm was last reported to be moving west northwest.—United Press.

## TURK ANXIETIES OVER RUSSIAN MOVES

Istanbul, Dec. 23.

Signs of anxiety are apparent in Turkish governmental circles over political developments both south and north of Turkey.

While no official word was forthcoming of Turkey's reaction to the series of friendship pacts negotiated by Marshal Tito in the Balkans, developments there were being closely watched.

Yugoslavia has negotiated 20-year mutual assistance pacts with Bulgaria, Rumania, Hungary and Albania.

The Jewish-Arab strife in Palestine also was getting close attention. Turkey voted against partition in the United Nations, but has maintained a hands off policy since then, even to the extent of refusing newsmen permission to approach two Jewish refugee ships expected to pass through the Bosphorus from Constantinople.

Some observers say one of Turkey's great fears in the Middle East crisis is that it might provide the opportunity for Russia to "send troops to Palestine to 'preserve order,' thus placing Soviet forces both north and south of Turkey."—Associated Press.

## Pope Down With Influenza

London, Dec. 23.

The Pope has a slight attack of influenza, not a cold as earlier stated, it was learned to-night. The indisposition is taking a normal course with slow but steady improvement, it was added.

Although his voice has not yet regained its full power the Pope will give his traditional Christmas eve radio message to the Catholic world, because it felt that the international situation had worsened since the breakdown of the Foreign Ministers Council in London. The broadcast will last for half an hour.—Reuter.



Marshall Tito, Premier of Yugoslavia, was in Budapest at the beginning of the month to sign a mutual aid pact with Hungary, having already concluded a similar agreement with Bulgaria. Tito is here seen signing the Hungary pact in the Presidential Palace, Budapest. At the left is Zoltan Tildy, the Hungarian President, and in the center background is M. Vokich, Yugoslav Deputy Foreign Minister. (AP Photo)

## Britain May Vote Conservative

London, Dec. 24. The Conservative "Daily Express" said today that a sampling of British public opinion during the first two weeks of December showed that 38 per cent of the British electorate would vote Conservative, 34 per cent for Labour and seven per cent for the Liberal Party.—United Press.

## Bombay Strike Threat

Bombay, Dec. 23.

The Girm Kanwar (Textile Workers) Union on Tuesday night decided to call on 200,000 members to strike on December 29 as a protest against foodstuffs decontrol and what it called partially in industrial adjudication.

Socialists decided 10 days ago on a half day general strike the same day, involving an estimated half million workers in the city. The Kanwar Union is Communist dominated.—Associated Press.

## MONKS SENTENCED

Belgrade, Dec. 23.

Five Franciscan monks at Pola in Istria were sentenced to prison terms of four to 15 years for espionage for a foreign power, according to official dispatches from Ljubljana today.

The monks were convicted by the district high court of sending 111 radio dispatches from a secret transmitter in Saint Anthony's monastery in Pola containing "military and economic information."—United Press.



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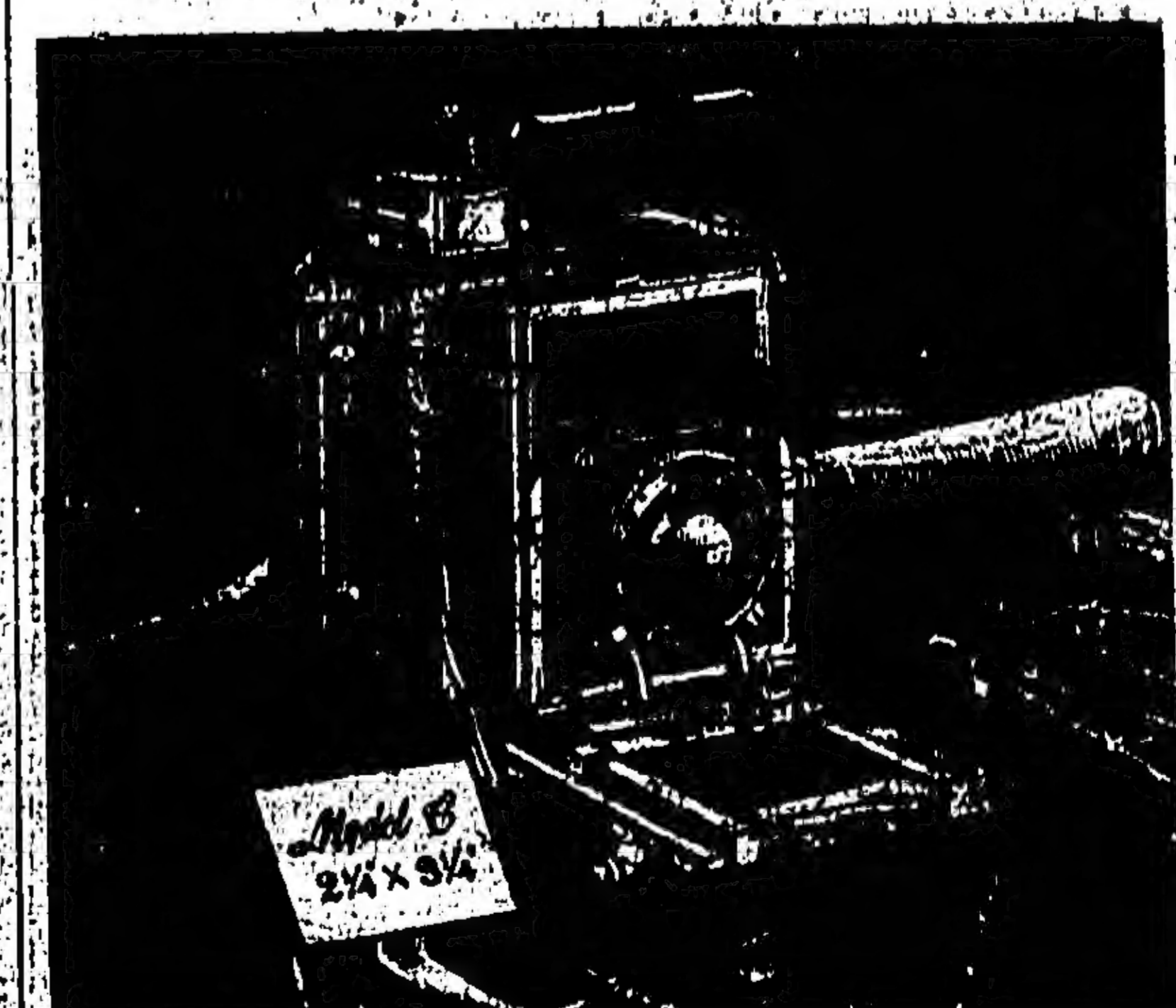
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# CHINA'S SECRET POLICE Shanghai Seizure In Broad Daylight Weakness In New Constitution

Shanghai, Dec. 24.  
In Shanghai a couple of weeks ago a well dressed youth walking along the famed Bund was stopped in broad daylight by a couple of unidentified men, hustled into an automobile under protest and driven away.

Nothing has been heard from him since.  
His kidnappers, everyone appears to agree, were government secret servicemen.  
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An anonymous gift of £5,000 in memory of Mr. A. Simpson Smith, who lost his life serving the Royal Army Medical Corps in North Africa in 1942, has been received by the London University to establish a lectureship at Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital, where Mr. Smith was a former surgeon.—Reuter.

## Stassen Accuses Democrats

Washington, Dec. 23.  
Harold E. Stassen, Presidential candidate, today accused the Administration of deliberately withholding pertinent information regarding operations of "Government insiders" in commodity markets.

The Republican Presidential aspirant issued a statement which said, "The continued delay of the Administration in reporting operations of insiders in the commodity market during 1947 is inexcusable. The issuance of voluminous reports by the Administration of normal grain trading on October 31, 1947 and October 31, 1946 and the withholding of precise information requested for weeks is obviously for the purpose of confusion and distraction."  
Stassen said the people will demand specific answers and "will not be fooled by showers of irrelevant statistics."—United Press.

## Congress Warning

Washington, Dec. 23.  
Chairman Charles A. Eaton, of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, today expressed doubt that Congress will authorize President Truman's full \$17,000,000,000 European recovery programme.

He thought the President had asked too much in his request to cover the first 15 months of the four-year programme.  
"He favours that Congress should adopt the 'general objectives' of the plan, but on a year-to-year basis," Rep. Eaton said. "I think the President is adopting a well-known and consistently practised American principle of asking for more than you can get."—United Press.

## London Railways Xmas Activity

London, Dec. 23.  
London's main line station was busy today coping with incoming troops and other Christmas traffic.  
About 20,000 soldiers, sailors and airmen were arriving by ordinary and 15 special furlough trains.  
Special forces leave trains from Lancashire, Cheshire and North Wales are being run on all LMS lines and 11 arrived at Euston and Saint Pancras today.  
At Waterloo 28 troop specials are expected during the day and tomorrow.—Reuter.

Budapest, Dec. 23.  
Hungary has negotiated a cultural pact with Poland, it was learned here today.  
A delegation will visit Budapest on January 26 to sign on Poland's behalf.—Reuter.

## Truman Signs Money Bill

Washington, Dec. 23.  
President Truman signed here today the United States appropriation bill providing \$522,000,000 emergency aid to France, Italy and Austria.

The measure, passed in the closing hours of the special session of Congress last Friday, also appropriates \$18,000,000 for China relief.  
The only important modification in the plans for stop-gap aid has been caused by the \$57,000,000 cut in the original request of President Truman, upon which Congress insisted.

Decisions on where the programme is to be further "shaved" will not be made without consultation with the countries concerned.

## "PEOPLE'S" CONGRESS

Duesseldorf, Dec. 23.  
Two hundred Ruhr Communist and other left-wing representatives meeting in Duesseldorf today decided to summon a "people's congress" for the British zone of the province of North Rhine Westphalia in Duesseldorf on Jan. 27 "to fight against the attempts to form a Western German state."—Reuter.

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## U.S. POLICY IN JAPAN

### Senate Investigation May Be Demanded

#### "Reds" Blame 'Pinks'

LONDON, DEC. 22. THERE WAS "NOT A WORD OF TRUTH" IN THE ALLEGATIONS BY LABOUR PARTY CHIEFS THAT THE COMMUNISTS WOULD SABOTAGE THE PRODUCTION DRIVE IN INDUSTRY, MR. HARRY POLLITT, GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY, DECLARED TONIGHT.

Mr. Pollitt, who was replying to yesterday's statement by the General Secretary of the Labour Party, Mr. Morgan Phillips, calling on Labourites to fight an expected campaign of sabotage by Communists, "and their fellow travellers" during the coming months, said: "We issued appeals to the workers to increase production long before Mr. Phillips, or the Labour Party."

"The Communist Party is proud of what its members have done in industry and agriculture, and in the pits."

"It is the Labour Government that is sabotaging production. It is cutting down capital expenditure on which the future production of the country depends."

"It is checking the production of houses, schools, hospitals, and health centres. It is surrendering Britain to American big business."—Reuter.

#### DIPLOMATS ON TRIAL

Nuremberg, Dec. 23. Twenty-one former German diplomats and officials pleaded innocent when arraigned before a U.S. Military Tribunal. They are charged with committing crimes against peace and humanity.

The court fixed Jan. 6 as the starting date for the trial. Baron Ernst von Weizsäcker is the chief defendant. He formerly was Secretary of State in the German Foreign Office. He was serving as German Ambassador to the Vatican at war's end.—Associated Press.

#### An Attempt At Socialisation?

Washington, Dec. 24. An investigation by the Senate into American policies toward Japan may be undertaken when Congress reconvenes early in January. Long bubbling Congressional dissatisfaction with some of the directives United States policy-makers are formulating for Japan burst into the open just before Congress closed its special session prior to the Christmas holidays.

In a speech before the Senate, Republican Senator William Knowland, of California, turned the spotlight on the policies being pursued in decentralising commercial enterprises and trade monopolies throughout Japan.

Identifying the policy as FEC 230, the Californian said it was a "very un-Anglo-Saxon philosophy," unacceptable to Americans. The proposals, originating in the Army and State Departments came to be known as FEC 230 after American representatives on the Far Eastern Commission submitted them to that body for approval. The proposals also were handed to occupation authorities in Japan for their information and comment. Soon afterward they became known to American business interests. They criticised the plans as aiming at the socialisation of Japan.

Before the Far Eastern Commission got around to acting on the American proposals, the State Department withdrew them asking the Commission to consider the document for the time being as the Department wished to make "some technical corrections."

Efforts to obtain copies of FEC 230 from the Far Eastern Commission and the State Department have brought only evasive replies.

The State Department says 230 is a Far Eastern Commission document and can be had only from that body. The FEC in turn, says the proposed directive originated with the United States and that it is up to American officials to make it public.

It the State Department continues to call the document "secret," an investigation of Japanese affairs, by a Senate Committee may result.—Associated Press.

#### Gale In Vienna

Vienna, Dec. 22. Five were today reported killed and over 100 injured in a gale raging over Vienna for the past 15 hours.

Many buildings were ruined and thousands of bricks and tiles were blown down into the streets. Several roads were blocked by debris.—Reuter.

#### Nehru Visit To Britain

London, Dec. 23. The Office of the High Commissioner for India in London in a statement issued today declared that India's Premier, Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, "has every intention of accepting the long-standing and friendly invitation of the British Government," but added that no date for Mr. Nehru's visit to Britain has yet been fixed.

He could only come "when conditions in India permit Pandit Nehru, to leave the country," it was stated.

The reports and rumours about the purposes of the visit were entirely unauthorised, the official statement said.

"The visit is intended primarily to serve as a manifestation of the desire of the Prime Minister of India and his colleagues to maintain relations of cordial friendship with the Prime Minister and Government of the United Kingdom."—Reuter.

#### IN RUSSIAN HANDS?

Vienna, Dec. 23. The American-licensed Vienna newspaper Wiener Kurier today claimed that M. Paul Katscher, of the Ministry of Transport, who disappeared mysteriously on Dec. 6, was being held in a Russian concentration camp at Wiener Neustadt.

Katscher vanished the day before he was due to leave for Geneva to report to the International Transport conference on the international distribution of railway wagons.—Reuter.

#### German Steel King Sent To Prison

Nuremberg, Dec. 22. Friedrich Flick, former German steel king said to have been Germany's richest man at the end of the war, was today sentenced to seven years' imprisonment for war crimes by a United States tribunal here after a trial lasting eight months.

He was found guilty of crimes involving slave labour and plunder of occupied territories. Point three of the indictment—participation in the Nazi "Aryanisation" programme—was withdrawn.

With Flick in the dock were five of his associates, three of whom were acquitted on all accounts.

Bernard Weiss, Flick's nephew, was found guilty of participation in the slave labour programme, and sentenced to two and a half years' imprisonment.

Otto Steinbrink, former SS general and Flick's principal assistant, received a five-year sentence.

#### Not Justified

The President of the court, Mr. Charles Spens, rejected the defence claim that the accused, being private industrialists, were not subject to international law.

"The point of law that international law applies only to sovereign states and not to in-

#### Norway's Gift To London

LONDON, DEC. 22. HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN MADE A PILGRIMAGE IN TRAFALGAR SQUARE TODAY WHEN THE WORKS MINISTER, MR. CHARLES KEY, OFFICIALLY RECEIVED FROM THE NORWEGIAN AMBASSADOR A 48-FOOT TALL CHRISTMAS TREE SENT BY THE PEOPLE OF OSLO.

Children crowding on the lions and the base of Lord Nelson's column, gazed up at the tree glittering with untraced snow and strips of silver paper used for anti-radar purposes by the Royal Air Force during the war.

The Norwegian Ambassador said the tradition of having a Christmas tree was very old in Norway during the war Norwegian ships ventured through all dangers to bring back a spruce tree from Norway so that King Haakon might look at one grown on his native soil.

"The tree is the expression of the admiration we Norwegians feel for the people of London for the great part they took in winning the war," the Ambassador added.—Reuter.

#### Christian Colleges In China

New York, Dec. 23. The United Board for Christian Colleges in China reported today that more than \$500,000 worth of equipment has been sent to 13 Christian colleges in China during the past year.

The executive secretary, Dr. Robert J. McMullen, said next year's plans include "providing more adequate equipment, limiting enrollment, raising standards and increasing the emphasis on development of Christian character."

Dr. McMullen added that every effort would be made to improve the faculty "and pay more suitable salaries."

Commenting on last spring's student strikes in many Chinese colleges he said "students in Christian colleges have been less prone than those in Government institutions to interrupt their studies and express feelings on national and international issues by strikes and parades."—United Press.

London, Dec. 23. Indian patrols killed more than 100 raiders in an attack on two raiders' concentrations in the Poonch area of Kashmir, the Indian Defence Ministry announced tonight, New Delhi Radio said.—Reuter.



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**Gonorrhea symptoms:** discomfort in urination; a discharge of pus. In women, these may be so small as to pass unnoticed.

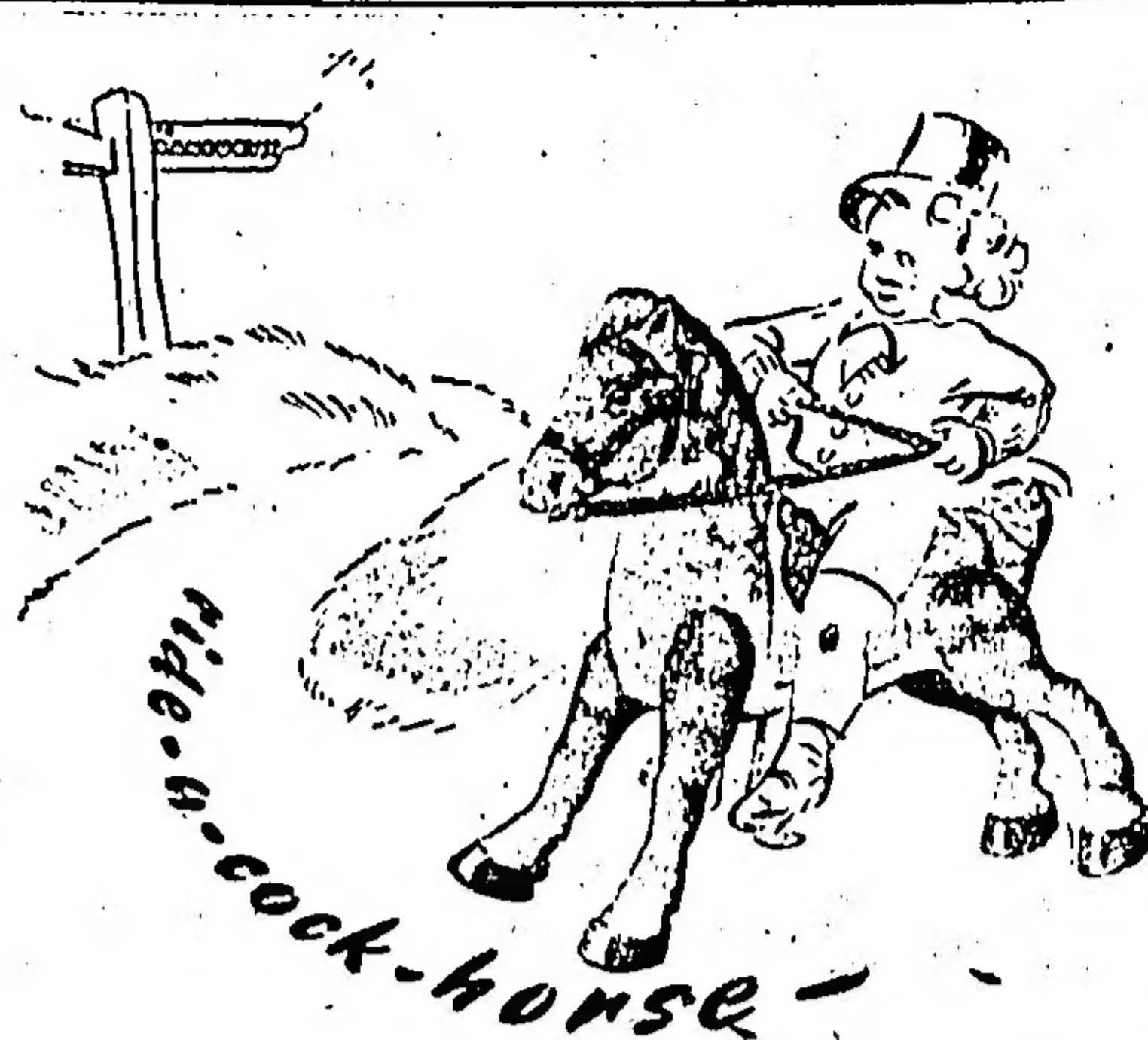
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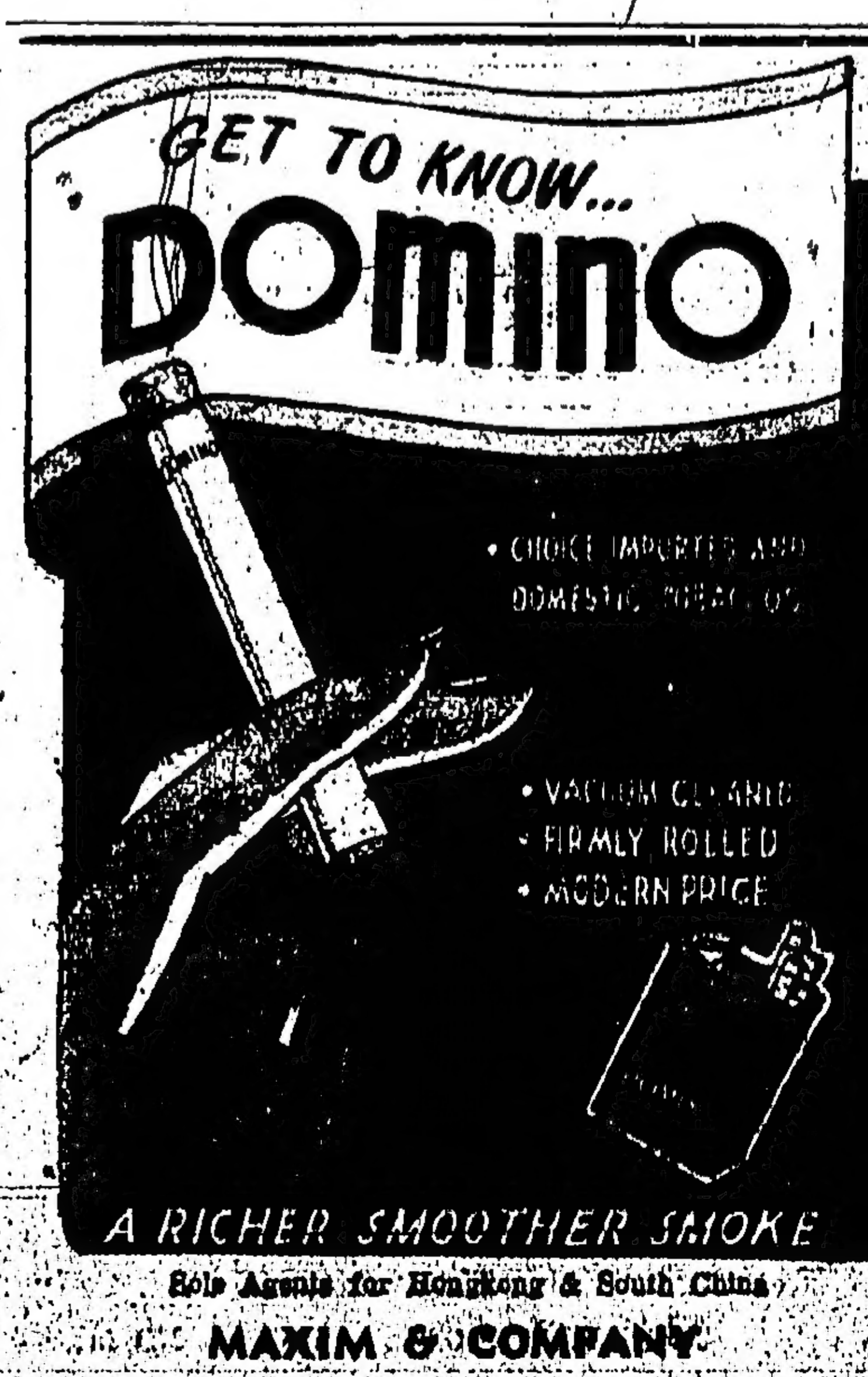


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# CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM Parliament Adjourns With Good Trade Tidings Cripps Cheerful For Once

London, Dec. 23. The British Parliament adjourned for the Christmas recess on Friday in a mood of cautious but rising optimism which is in marked contrast to the anxious atmosphere which the new session opened two months ago.

## Stalin Stouter

Moscow, Dec. 23. The first photograph taken of Generalissimo Stalin since his return from holiday on the Black Sea Riviera, and published today, showed that he has put on weight.

The picture was taken as he and M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Minister, were voting in yesterday's municipal elections here.

Generalissimo Stalin was wearing his uniform and seemed in excellent health. There was no mention in the Soviet press of his 65th birthday yesterday.—Reuter.

London, Dec. 23. Moscow Radio reported today that voters of Moscow's 24th precinct "to the last man" voted yesterday for Joseph Stalin "who thus has been unanimously elected to Moscow city of the Soviet."

The Radio said Stalin received all the votes of 1,017 registered voters in the precinct, plus 505 from "persons who came to vote at this precinct from other localities."

Stalin was also elected to Moscow regional Soviet as representative of ten precincts in the second Stalin election district.

Moscow Radio said his vote was unanimous and many voters wrote on their ballots "moving expressions of their love, gratitude and greetings to Stalin."—United Press.

Brussels, Dec. 21. M. Georges Bidault, French Foreign Minister, said tonight there did not exist "and could not exist" political conditions to the Marshall Aid Plan. He was speaking at a meeting attended by M. Paul Henri Spaak, the Belgian Prime Minister, at the Palais des Beaux Arts.

To the audience, which filled the hall to capacity, M. Bidault stressed that Mr. Marshall's offer was accepted by all the Governments who were in a position to answer freely. If those who refused would later reconsider their decision, he said, their place was still reserved for them.

Referring to the nations who accepted American aid, M. Bidault added: "But we cannot refuse to peoples that which others, rashly or under constraint, refuse to theirs."—Reuter.

Paris, Dec. 22. A French naval escort today took an Italian three-masted vessel, suspected of illegally carrying passengers from Italy to Spain, into Toulon. The ship and her crew of 12 were "put under observation."—Reuter.

So buoyant were the feelings of some members that Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, just before Parliament rose, thought it necessary to stress the long way that remains to go to reach industrial targets and to warn the nation not to be cast down by inevitable temporary falls in production figures due to seasonal and other foreseeable factors. This said, Sir Stafford sent the House of Commons away with a cheerful report and Lord Pakenham did likewise in the House of Lords.

Sir Stafford's words were the more attended to because of his well-known aversion from undue optimism. In his report the rising coal output naturally took first place, over 2,000,000 tons more coal having been cut so far this winter than at the same date last year. Nevertheless, Sir Stafford added, the effects of the very big programme of reconstruction and mechanisation now in hand have scarcely begun to show yet.

In textiles Sir Stafford reported a "really encouraging increase." "At last we have a quickening response to our situation," he said. The numbers employed in the textile industries rose from 756,000 in June to 784,000 in November. The weekly average output of cotton yarn, which was a little over 12,500,000 yards in June had risen to nearly 14,750,000 yards in November. Output of woven wool fabrics rose from 20,000,000 yards in June to 23,870,000 by the end of November.

Machinery Output Rising Fast  
In steel, upon which depends the whole output of the "great engineering industry," we have been doing exceedingly well," Sir Stafford declared. Output of main line locomotives was 56 in June and 76 in October, and railway wagons just under 3,000 in June was over 4,000 in October. The value of internal combustion engines was over £1,600,000 in June, and nearly £2,200,000 in October. The value of hoisting machinery rose from £285,000 to £363,000.

Agricultural machinery in which, said Sir Stafford, "we have the foundation of a most important new export industry," is being turned out in increasing quantities. Tractor production, for instance, rose from 8,300 in the first quarter of this year to 14,300 in the third quarter.

These are outstanding examples from the main export industries. Other industries are also increasing so that, in Sir Stafford's words, "the overall picture shows an encouraging revival in our internal activities."

Referring to the difficulty of selling abroad, Sir Stafford stressed the importance of preventing a rise in price levels and, indeed, bringing them down.—L.P.S.

TAX ON TRAVEL  
Budapest, Dec. 23. A tax is to be imposed on all Hungarian citizens going abroad. The tax will be 30 florins for the first 10 days, 60 florins for the next 10 days and 100 florins for a further 10 days.

For longer periods, a monthly rate will be fixed. Only emigrants and those appointed to posts abroad will be exempt from the new tax.—Reuter.

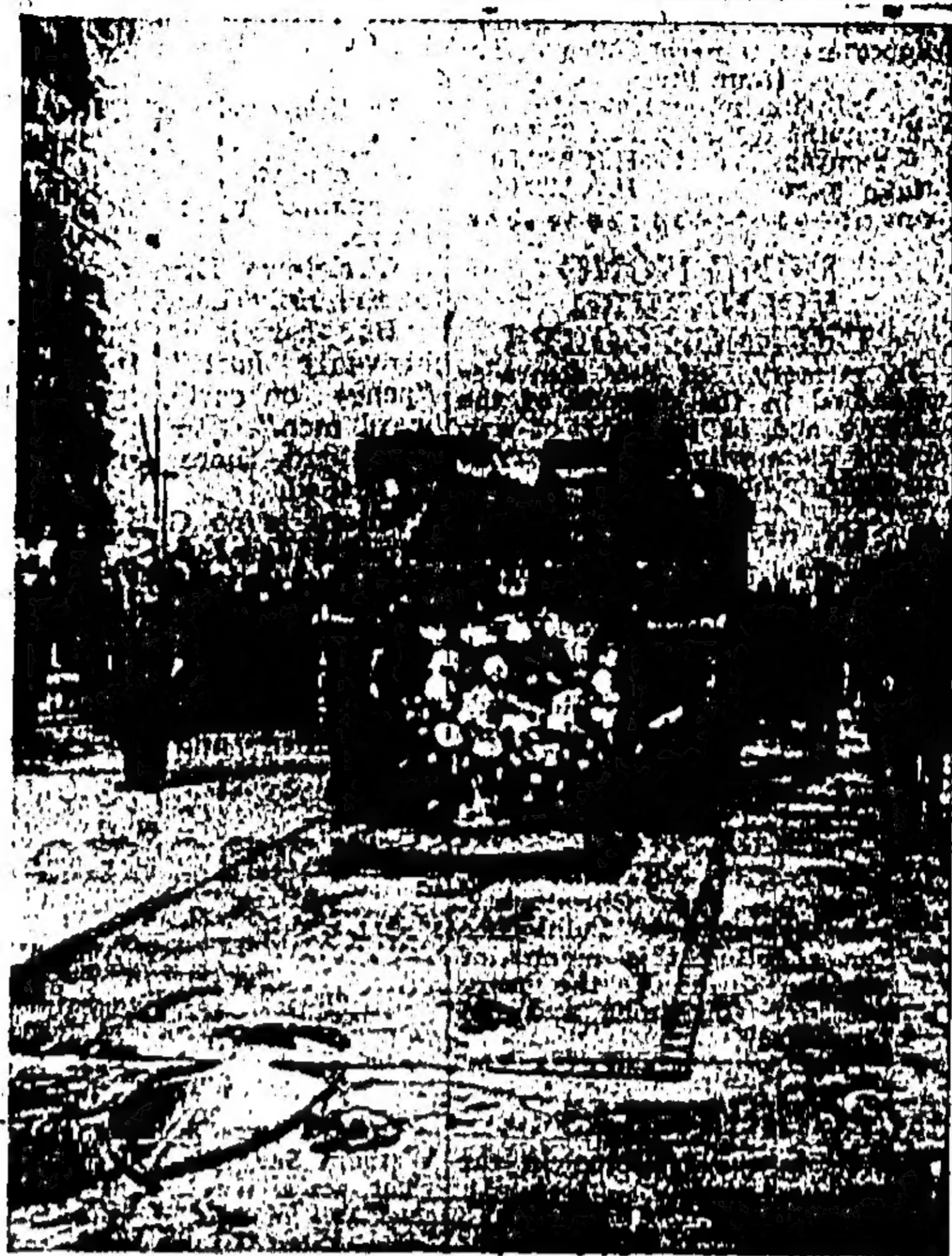
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The correspondents overwhelmingly predicted a Republican victory. Nineteen picked Dewey to win while only five writers thought Truman would be elected.

Four correspondents thought the United States would move closer to peace next year. 18 thought tensions were still high and one was undecided.—United Press.



The body of General Jacques Lecoeur (Vicomte de Hanteloup), Commander of the French second armoured division during the liberation, killed in an air crash in southern Algeria was taken to the Cathedral of Notre Dame and following requiem mass was moved to its final resting place in the chapel of the invalides, Paris, where Napoleon, Foch and many other French soldiers lie. Photo shows a wreath from French President Vincent Auriol being placed at the casket at the tomb of the unknown warrior in Paris. (A.P.O.)

## Greatest Economic Planning Ever

New York, Dec. 23. American newspaper comment today on President Truman's message to congress calling for \$17,000,000,000 for Marshall Plan aid to Europe varied from warm praise to a hint that the Administration's outlook was "dictated by black-mail."

The New York Herald Tribune declared: "With dignity and with forcefulness, President Truman has presented to Congress a distillation of the greatest effort towards international economic planning that has ever been undertaken."

"From this point on, the major responsibility will rest upon Congress."

The paper added: "The heart of the plan is sound and necessary—necessary to the maintenance of the civilisation in which the American way of life is rooted, indeed, for the maintenance of that way itself."

The New York Times said that the President took his stand on what promised to be one of the most controversial issues of the whole proposal.

"Some of the President's more cautious advisers had urged that he put the programme on a year to year basis, asking Congressional authority at this time only on that part covering the first 15 months."

"This hypocritical course he rejected unceremoniously."—Reuter.

Monk Gets 16 Years' Hard Labour  
Belgrade, Dec. 22. Father Albino Gomeiro, one of a group of monks accused of having a secret radio station for transmitting military information to a spy centre abroad, was sentenced today to 16 years forced labour, the Yugoslav News Agency reported from Pola, south of Trieste.

The other defendants received sentences ranging from three to six years forced labour. When the trial began, the prosecution alleged that in March, 1947, before the British and Americans handed Pola over to the Yugoslavs under the terms of the Italian peace treaty, Father Gomeiro agreed "to work actively for a foreign espionage service."—Reuter.

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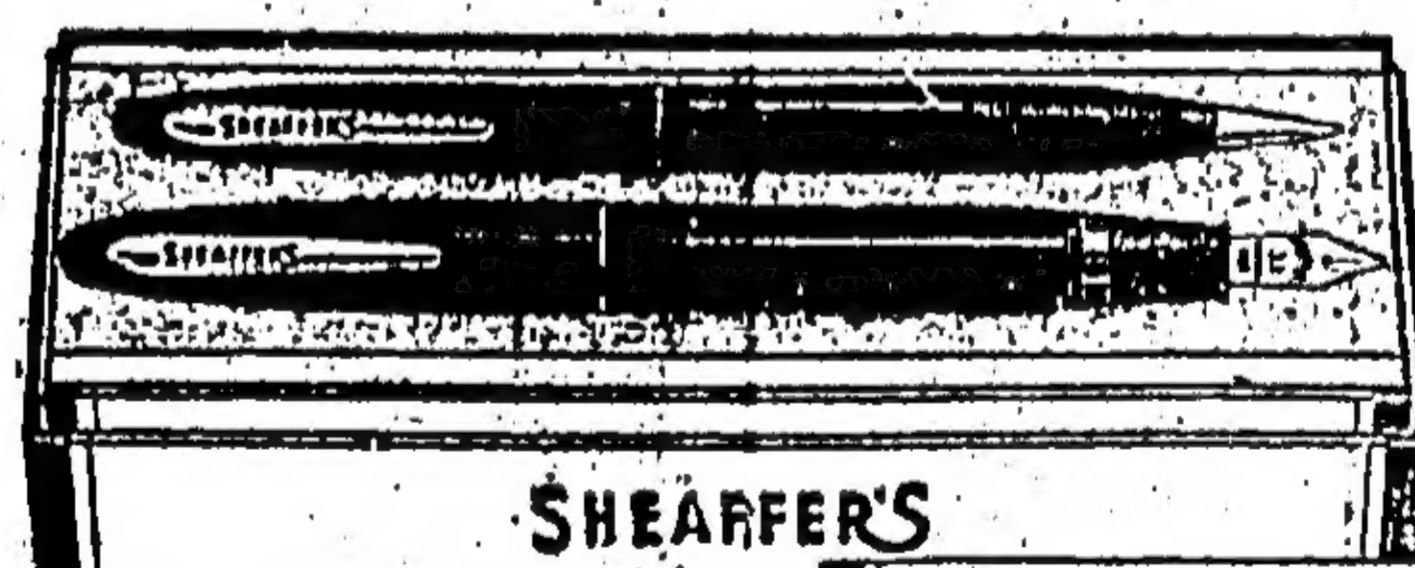
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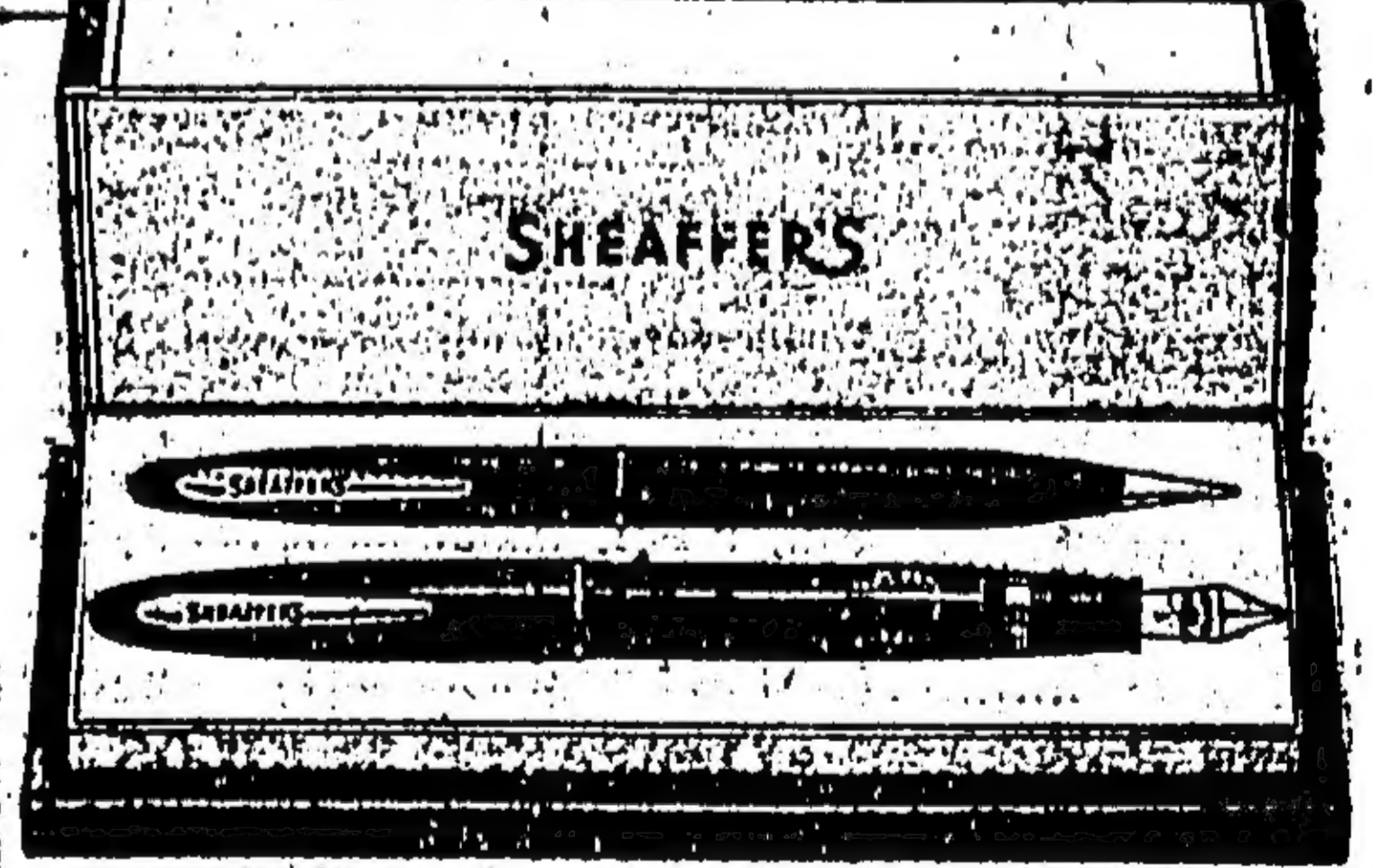
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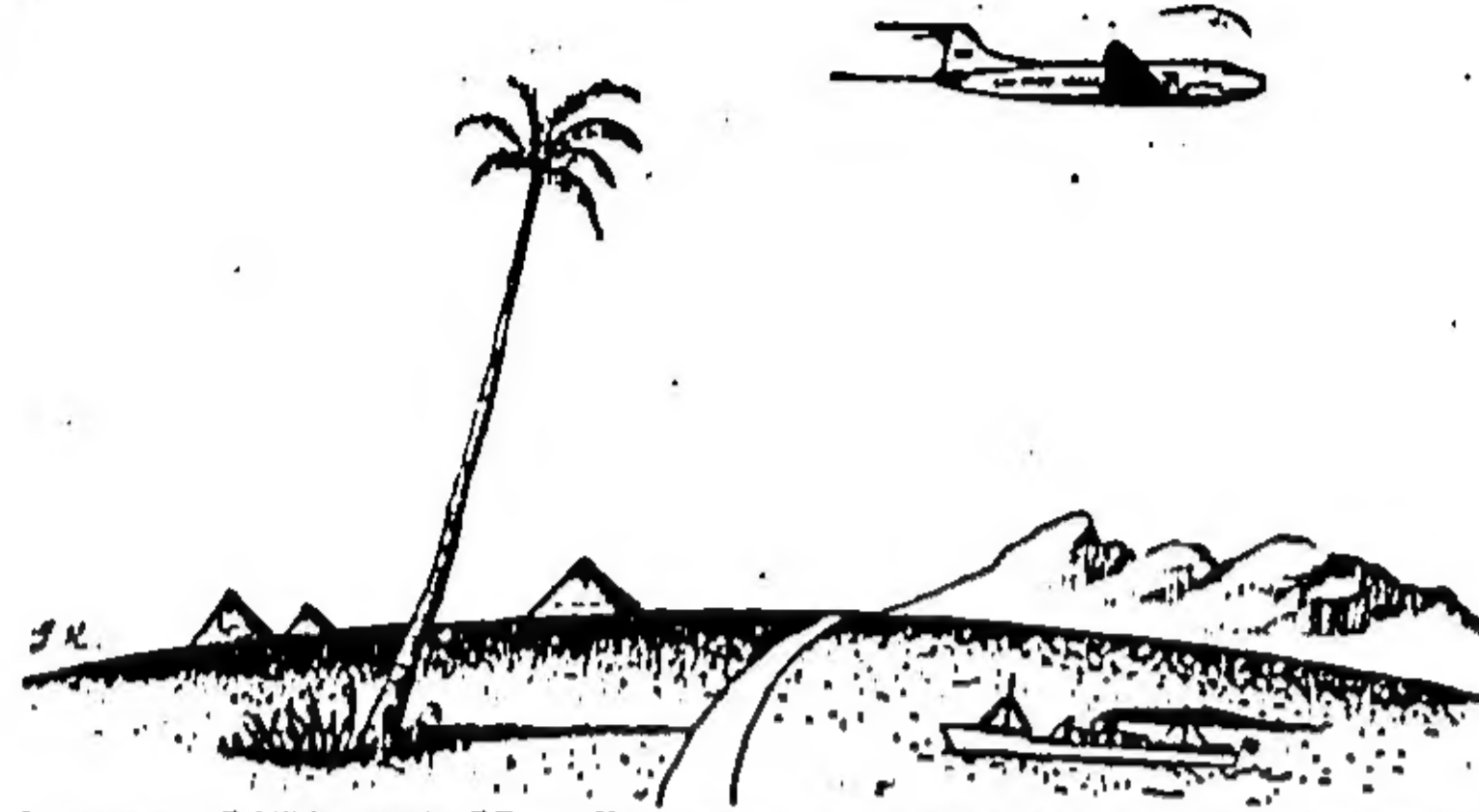
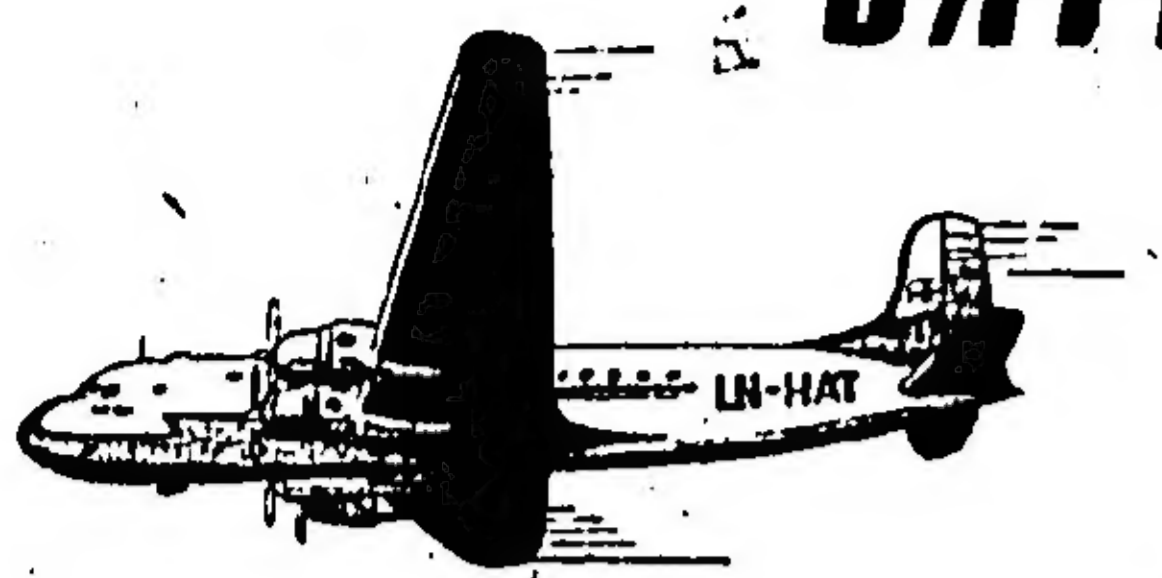
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## SHARP JEW-ARAB CLASHES

### Illegal Immigrant Ship Seized Near Haifa

### The Turmoil In Palestine

Jerusalem, Dec. 23.

The two-masted Haganah schooner, "You Won't Frighten Us," carrying about 850 Jewish illegal immigrants—including about 150 children—and a naval boarding party quietly entered Haifa harbour today escorted by a tug.

British destroyers intercepted the ship yesterday about 100 miles south-west of Haifa.

First to disembark were three men and a woman, said to be newspaper correspondents. The police detained them. Jewish sources reported. A number of stretcher cases were taken to hospital.

The refugees, who came from Europe and included two babies born on board, were transhipped quietly to be taken to Cyprus. They had been at sea for about a fortnight and six days ago were battered by a storm.

In Jerusalem's walled old city this afternoon Jews, Arabs and the police were involved in a gun-battle with rifles and automatic weapons. It was not clear who



Eighty Jews and Arabs were killed and many more injured in violent Arab demonstrations in Haifa over the U.N.O. decision to partition Palestine. Damage from arson and looting is estimated at £200,000. Rioters are seen setting cars on fire near the National Bank of India offices. Order was eventually restored by the Royal Navy and Airborne troops. (AP photo).

### Christmas Present

London, Dec. 23.

Mrs. K. Howe of Colchester received today with her Christmas post a letter post-dated at Ipswich, 15 miles away in 1911, telling her of the birth of a niece now 36 years old.—Reuter.

was doing the attacking. As the first burst of Tommy-gun fire swept through the old city cafes and bazaars emptied and Arabs and Jews hurried for shelter.

Mr. David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive and probable Prime Minister of the new Jewish state, escaped unhurt when a Jewish convoy in which he was travelling to Tel-Aviv from Jerusalem was shot up by Arabs halfway on the route, a Jewish source in Tel-Aviv stated today.

Arab snipers, hidden in prepared ambush positions on the Mount of Olives and Mount Scopus, opened fire today at the funeral of Robert Oliver Stern, a British-born Jew murdered in Jerusalem two nights ago.

Mourners threw themselves down or crouched behind tombstones as bullets whizzed over-

The General Assembly, which normally meets only once or twice a year, would carry out the functions of a Jewish government until the Jewish state had been properly established—probably next October, he added.

Sprinkle firing and grenade throwing on the Tel-Aviv-Jaffa border were reported tonight by Jewish sources in Tel-Aviv.

Jewish leaders meantime have urged Britain to step up Jewish immigration into Palestine immediately and to withdraw armed Arab formations from the area in the Holy Land—which will make up the new Jewish state.

Both official British and Jewish sources reported that the Colonial Secretary, Arthur Creech Jones, had promised governmental consideration.

A Jewish Agency spokesman said Mr. Creech Jones was asked to

Withdraw the Arab Legion and Trans-Jordan Frontier Force formations from the areas scheduled to become Jewish Palestine.

Recognise the existence of Jewish Settlement police and allow Jewish communities in the rural areas to protect themselves.

Step up immigration into the Jewish areas of Palestine immediately from the present fixed quota of 1,500 monthly.

Facilitate the implementation of the United Nations decision to set up Arab and Jewish states in Palestine next year by close co-operation with the Jewish local and national authorities.

The Jewish leaders charged that presence of armed Arab units in Jewish areas "provoked" the inhabitants.

Meanwhile, official British sources said: "It is almost certain that the 16,000 uncensored Jewish immigrants held in Cyprus camps will be allowed to enter Palestine legally on May 15 when Britain surrenders her mandate to the UN.—Reuter and Associated Press.

### Arabs At Crossroads

Baghdad, Dec. 23.

Sayid Jabur Salih, Prime Minister of Iraq, told the Iraqi Parliament today that the Arabs today were at the "crossroads".

"Either we die or live—and we shall live," he said, adding: "Iraq as well as other member states of the Arab League is executing measures to prevent the establishment of a Zionist state in Palestine".

He declared that he was unable to disclose the decisions taken by the Arab League at their recent council meeting in Cairo. The Premier reported that Britain had protested or warned the Arab states about Palestine.—Reuter.

### CHURCH-A STATE ORGANISATION

Moscow, Dec. 23.

The Russian Church has for purposes of the recent rouble exchange been treated as a "State organisation" and has

### Wedemeyer At Odds With Marshall

Washington, Dec. 23.

The Evening Star in an editorial on the Chinese situation said that General Albert Wedemeyer's views seem considerably at odds with those of Secretary of State George Marshall.

### Arabs Correct An Error

London, Dec. 23.

A misinterpretation of a paragraph of the communiqué issued at the conclusion of the recent Cairo conference of the Arab League Council, which had been taken by some commentators to indicate a weakening of Arab opposition to the partition of Palestine, is condemned in a statement cabled today to the Arab Office in London by the Arab League Secretary-General, Rahman Azzam Pasha.

"The paragraph which has been so misconstrued," he stated, "was merely meant to emphasise Arab resentment at the Assembly's ill-advised action.

Arabs have never been more resolute in their determination to reject partition and the establishment of a Jewish National Home. They are unanimous in their decision to oppose it with all their might."

The paragraph in question stated that the Arab League disapproved of the way in which the frontiers of the future Arab and Jewish states in Palestine had been drawn and pointed out that they would be a perpetual source of friction and intrigue. Some observers concluded that this form of words indicated a weakening of Arab opposition to the principle of partition.—Reuter.

### SWISS-TREASON TRIAL

London, Dec. 23.

Nineteen people, found guilty of "attacks on the independence of the State and political treason", were sentenced to terms of imprisonment or penal servitude by the Swiss Federal Court today, the Swiss Radio reported.

Some of the defendants were also found guilty of betraying military secrets. Others were found to have joined the German armed forces including the Waffen S.S.

The sentences varied from short terms of imprisonment to 16 years penal servitude.—Reuter.

had all its money exchanged at one new rouble for one old.—Reuter.

### New Border Dispute Arises In India

Calcutta, Dec. 23.

The first border dispute between Eastern Pakistan and West Bengal was reported today to have arisen over the village of Char Sarandajour situated on the frontier between the districts of Murshidabad and Rajshahi.

The report said that some East Bengal police forces rushed from Calcutta. A Calcutta force was said to be two miles from the disputed village "awaiting orders". Officials of the East Pakistan Government reportedly informed West Bengal that they do not want to "confer over the issue" and suggested a conference of revenue officers concerned to settle the matter. West Bengal referred the problem to the India Dominion Government for decision.—United Press.

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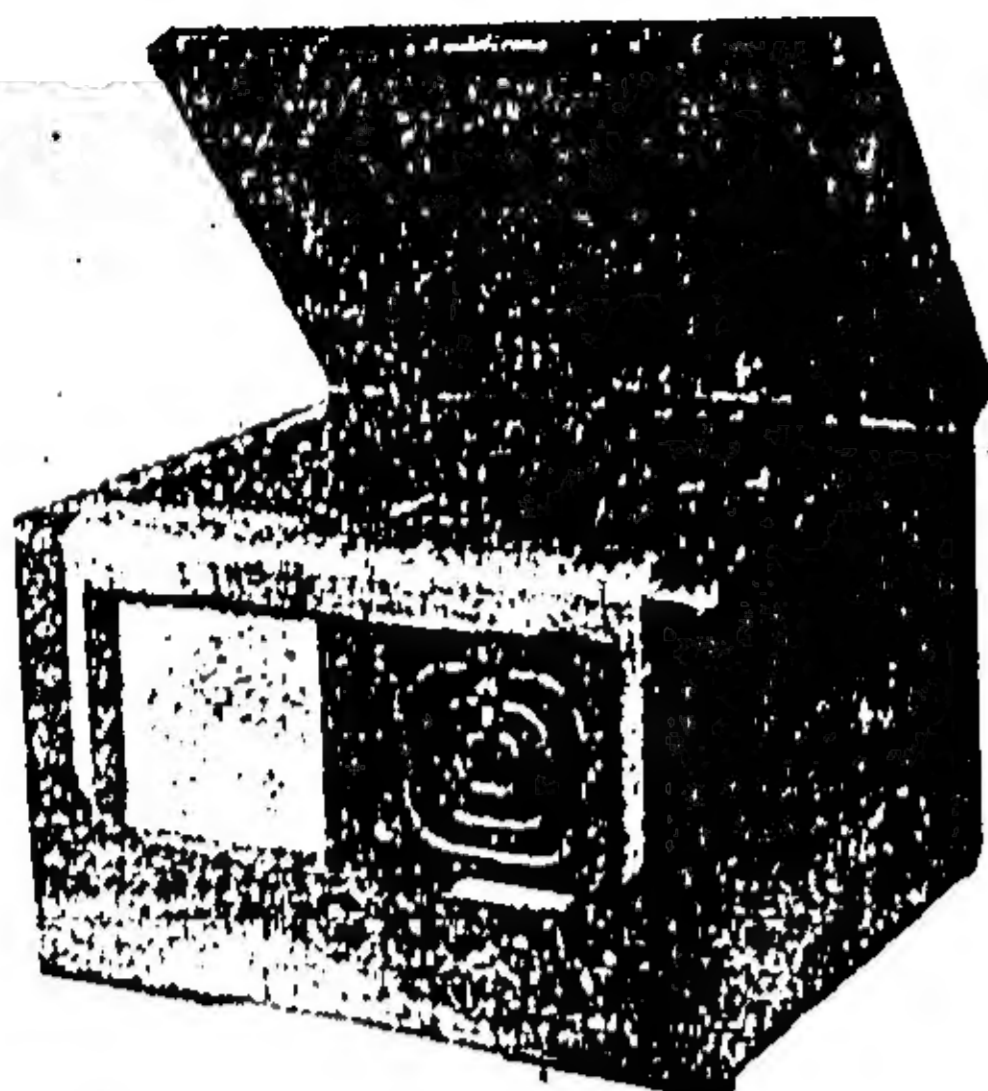
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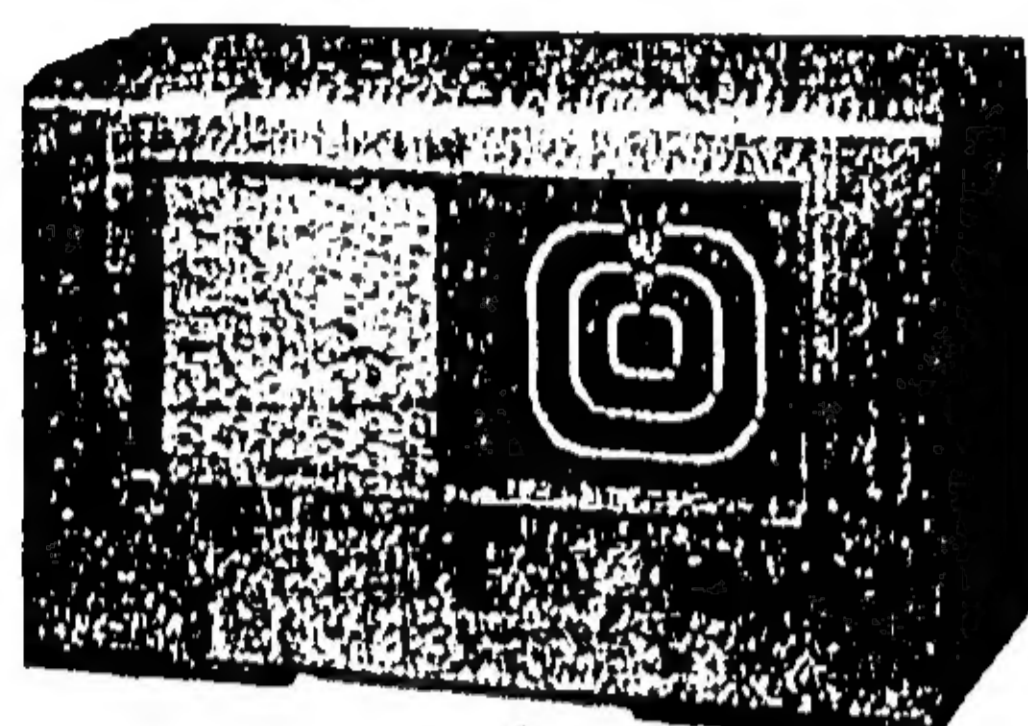
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# PANAMA REJECTS PACT United States To Withdraw From War Bases Ambassador Called To White House

Panama, Dec. 23. The National Assembly of the Panamanian Republic late last night refused to ratify the agreement signed on December 2, leasing 13 military bases in the territory of Panama, outside the Canal Zone—the five mile strip, on both sides of the Canal, which had been under United States administration since 1904. The resolution rejecting the agreement was passed unanimously as a crowded gallery cheered and sang the Panamanian national anthem. Shortly before, Senator Florencio Arosemena, the Foreign Minister, had resigned because of his Party's opposition to it. A Washington message says that the United States is to withdraw "as quickly as possible" all troops from 14 defence bases which the Panama Republic has refused to lease.

The United States will now base the defence of the Panama Canal on facilities inside the Canal Zone. The announcement by the State Department declared: "In accordance with oral agreements made to the course of negotiations, necessary steps will be taken immediately to evacuate all cities in the Republic of Panama outside the Canal Zone where United States armed forces are now stationed. This withdrawal will be completed as quickly as possible, consistent with the number of personnel and the amount of material involved."

The States Department explained that the United States considered these sites essential to an adequate defence of the Canal but did not want an agreement that was not acceptable to the Panamanian people.

"Failure to conclude an agreement will not, of course, affect normal friendly relationships between the two countries," the State Department said.

Earlier today, President Truman summoned his Ambassador to Panama, Brigadier General Frank Hines, to a White House conference as Congressmen claimed that "Communist inspiration" lay behind the Panama Parliament's refusal to approve a new agreement with the United States for the leasing of the 14 bases guarding the Canal.

Military officials stated that the rejection by the Republic of Panama is a potential threat to United States security—especially to its naval forces.

To face this threat, Mr. Albert Engel, Chairman of the House

## Potential Threat

Brigadier General Hines, after his conference with President Truman at the White House, said that he believed an agreement would be reached with Panama for the United States to maintain military bases there, despite the Panama Parliament's refusal to approve the new bases agreement. The Truman Administration recently recommended to Congress an expenditure of some \$2,000,000 on the present Canal to turn it into a lockless seaway which would be immune from atom bombing.

## Nicaragua

Mr. Engel did not refer to Nicaragua by name but he claimed: "I am sure there are other countries in Central America that would be glad to give us defence bases, if we developed another canal."

The importance the United States attached to Panama's rejection was considered here to be shown by the speed with which President Truman acted in summoning Brigadier General Hines to his office.

It is considered in Washington that a diplomatic approach to the Panamanian Government has been made more difficult by the present presidential campaign in the Panamanian Republic, in which the leasing of the bases to the United States is a lively issue.—Reuter.

London, Dec. 22. Marseilles Harbour Radio today reported that the four-masted yacht Le Capitaine Guyomard (353 tons) was wrecked near the mouth of the Ebro River, off Spain, on her way from Oban to Marseilles. Two of the crew of 13 were reported drowned.—Reuter.

## Gandhi Wants A New Goat

New Delhi, Dec. 23. Mohandas K. Gandhi is in the market for a new goat to supply him an essential part of his diet—goat's milk. Mahatma, famed goat of the Mahatma for the past years, died at Wardha in the Central Provinces, a dispatch from there said today.—Associated Press.

## Inevitable Steps In Germany

BERLIN, DEC. 22. THE BRITISH MILITARY GOVERNOR, GENERAL SIR BRIAN ROBERTSON, TODAY SAID THE WESTERN POWERS WOULD "TAKE NO IRREVOCABLE STEP" IN GERMAN WHICH WOULD MAKE FUTURE AGREEMENTS WITH THE RUSSIANS IMPOSSIBLE.

In effect, he said that the United States and Britain would not establish a separate Western German state.

The Governor, however, parried questions of correspondents who tried to pin him to a flat yes or no on whether the split in Germany would eventually become a reality.

He told a press conference "certain steps" would be taken in the zonal area of Western Germany but declined to say what they would be. He added that these steps would "inevitably be forced upon us."—United Press.

## HARD TIMES

London, Dec. 23. The sum of £258, 16, 6, has been given so far to the House of Commons entering staff for the Christmas Fund, compared with £1,197, 6, 0, last year.—Reuter.

## Forecast For Germany

## Soviet May Call Plebiscite

Berlin, Dec. 23. Political observers in Berlin declared today that the swift succession of rulings by Soviet military headquarters, which had resulted in the dismissal during the week-end of three leaders of the Christian Democrat Union, might soon be followed by "important political events."

One such development, it was suggested, might be a plebiscite by which Germans in the Soviet occupation Zone could "determine their destiny"—such as was demanded on Saturday for the whole of Germany by the Permanent Committee of the "People's Congress," an organization created under the sponsorship of the Soviet-supported Socialist Unity Party.

Such a plebiscite, it was thought, might be called for if and when the Soviet occupation authorities took steps to revise their present relationship with the Western Allies in the Control Council and the Berlin Commandature.

The Christian Democrat leaders who were dismissed were the Chairman of the party, Dr. Jakob Kaiser, and Herr Ernst Lemmer, and the editor of the party newspaper Neue Zeit, Herr Wilhelm Gries.

## "Spontaneous"

Neither the party organization nor the party press are the same as before the Soviet moves.

While Berlin newspapers in the Western sectors today carried streamer headlines reading "Kaiser and Lemmer eliminated," the party organ, Neue Zeit, now under Soviet control, did not mention the abrupt ending of Dr. Kaiser's party leadership.

Instead, it declared that provincial organizations of the party had severed relations with the zonal party directorate "until confidence could be restored." The official Soviet organ in Berlin, Tass, also declared the dismissal of Dr. Kaiser and Herr Lemmer had been "spontaneous action" from within the party.

Dr. Kaiser, in his report to the party's zonal chairman, declared that the party policy had not been "wrong," but that "its execution was made difficult for Christian Democrat Union officials by a third party."

## Disobeyed Order

"From what became known during recent weeks," he said, "these difficulties have assumed an unbearable character."

The details of the dismissal of Herr Wilhelm Gries as editor of Neue Zeit, which was followed immediately by the resignation of his chief assistant and almost the whole of the editorial staff, were published in today's American-licensed paper, Tagesspiegel.

He was said to have refused to obey the Soviet order to have published a front-page headline reading "United States Violating Potsdam Agreement" and to have refused to delete from the paper a story about Christian Democrat Union zonal leaders meeting with the Soviet Information chief, Colonel Sergei Tulpanov and the sentence "No agreement was reached."

## Everything

When told that his license had been cancelled, he asked the reason. The Soviet Press Office replied: "Everything," according to Tagesspiegel. The Soviet officials appointed a provisional new chief editor.

The Neue Zeit's circulation, which for Saturday had been cut by Soviet orders to 50,000 copies, was immediately restored to its former figure of 100,000. Today's Sunday issue was prepared with the help of two Russian officers, Tagesspiegel reported. Dr. Kaiser declared today that he had long regarded the Neue Zeit as the mouthpiece of the party.—Reuter.

## Honours Go To Malaysians

London, Dec. 23. Men and women in Malaya, were honoured today by the King for bravery and valuable services during the war in a list of awards published in London today.

A medical officer in the Medical service of Malaya, Dr. William Archibald Dalrymple, has been made an officer of the Civil Division of the Order of the British Empire.

Three others have been made Members of the same order. They are Yeoh Bok Choon, Tutor in Surgery at the College of Medicine in Singapore, who performed valuable services at the Tan Tock-Seng Hospital during the Japanese occupation; Mrs. Nora Chowna, a Briton, living in Perak, who is honoured for services to fellow internees in Malaya during enemy occupation; and Major Fred Harvey of the Salvation Army for services to fellow internees at Ayer Hitam camp on Penang Island.

A Singapore hospital assistant, Henry Edward Klyne, has been awarded the British Empire Medal (civil division) for services during enemy occupation in Singapore.

The medal has also been awarded to Badar Bin Shamsudin, corporal in the Malaya Union police force, for services to the forces during military operations in Southeast Asia, prior to September 2, 1945.

The King's Recommendation for brave conduct during military operations in Southeast Asia during the same period, has been awarded to M. Bin Rahman, a Singapore small-holder.—Reuter.

## No Basis For Report

Washington, Dec. 23. A State Department spokesman said unofficially today he knows of no basis for Australian reports that a Japanese peace conference is expected to begin in April or May.

The Australian News Summary issued by the Australian Government Information agency in New York said "the form the conference will take is still the subject of discussion among the nations concerned."

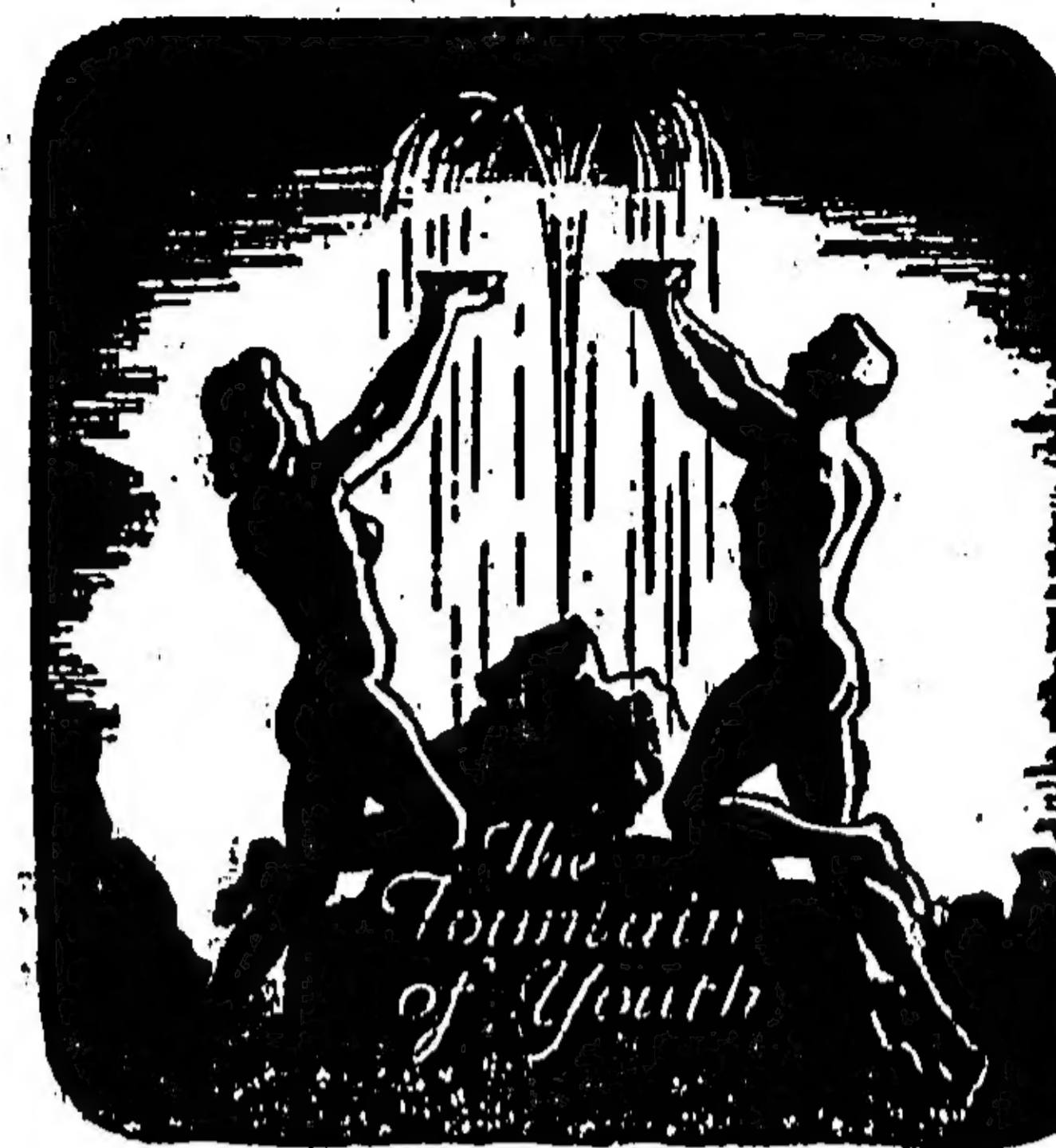
The State Department spokesman said preparatory work for the conference continues "but as far as I know the Russians and Chinese continue opposing the American proposal for the conference procedure, with no solution in sight."—Associated Press.

## Opium Petition

Singapore, Dec. 23. Nine hundred opium smokers have petitioned Sir Franklin Gimson, Governor of Singapore, requesting an opium ration for pre-war registered smokers.

They said that although opium smoking was illegal, the drug was still being smuggled into the country and being sold to smokers, yielding huge profits to the smugglers. The smokers became slaves to the drug before smoking was outlawed, the petition said, and now they were transgressors in the eyes of the law.—Reuter.

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## STANLEY BALDWIN

Yet in his day Baldwin towered among his contemporaries. He seemed to embody all the qualities—and in his burly form portraiture even the physical contours—of England. His bluff manner, and measured tones, his sober, rather old-fashioned clothes, his pipe, his tolerance and courtesy and fundamental decency were what his countrymen—and a large part of the civilised world—like to think of as being essentially "English." He encouraged this impression. Whether or not he ever wrote those moving and majestic speeches on English (some say Dr. Tom Jones did), Baldwin effectively, and beautifully, pronounced them in his slow, sonorous tones.

The doubt, perhaps, arose because the man who looked so plodding and steady-going was one of the laziest characters in public life. That he could have written them is certain, for he was a scholar as well as an apt observer and lover of the English country scene and the English language.

### Mystery Man

It is another part of the enigma of "plain Mister Baldwin," as the British public knew him, for the generation between the wars, that he was by no means all-English.

A powerful strain of Scotch blood ran through him, which helped him to understand Ramsay MacDonald. He also had enough of the Welsh in him to sum-up—and lay-off—Lloyd George.

"I am a simpleton," said Baldwin. He was really a very subtle man. He fought, and beat, in turn, Lloyd George, Beaverbrook, and Churchill. Here were three of the shrewdest and most formidable confidants in British politics. They all underestimated "Simple Stanley." He meant them to.

This was how he had arrived in power, the thing for which Baldwin, with all his protestations, lusted as voraciously as any other serious politician.

As a well-liked but little-known Tory supporter of the Lloyd George Coalition Government, he had graduated from being Financial Secretary to the Secretary of the Board of Trade. Still holding that office, he had attended the dramatic meeting of the Tory rebels at the Carlton Club in 1922, when by a large majority the party resolved to quit the Government and break up the Coalition.

It was Baldwin's speech which was decisive. It was for the revolt. He said he feared Lloyd George too much, for this man's dynamic personality had already split the Liberal Party and might now shatter the Conservative Party.

### Unknown Man

Within a few hours Lloyd George had left 10 Downing street, never to return. With him went such famous figures as Winston Churchill, Lord Brienhead, Sir Austen Chamberlain. Baldwin, the unknown man who had slain the giant with all his glory as the Man Who Won the War, became Chancellor of the Exchequer in the new Tory Government.

He did nothing spectacular. His settlement of the American Debt on too-onerous terms for us was disastrous; but it had not yet caught up with him when the Tory Premier, Bonar Law, resigned on the grounds of his failing health.

A terrific hubbub arose in the hive of the politicians. Who should succeed as Prime Minister? The long odds were on George Nathaniel, Marquess Curzon, a bet to which the public lord himself subscribed. He took the train to London, to find that the King had sent for Baldwin. He had not even thought of him. He wept. "Not even a public figure, a man of no experience, and of the utmost insignificance."

So, for the second time, somebody had believed that Stanley Baldwin was a simpleton. It seemed, indeed, that perhaps he was when a few months later he plunged the country into a General Election on Tariff Reform. He lost it, and the first Socialist Government came in under MacDonald.

Baldwin was bitterly reviled, but he had heard that Lloyd George was on his way home from the United States and going to stump the country in favour of Protection as the only method of combating the slump. Baldwin himself was convinced of this policy. Why let that "dynamic man" steal the Tories' clothes?

The Socialists did not last long, and soon Baldwin was back as Prime Minister with a huge majority. It cannot be said that he did very much with his power.

His five-year rule was marked by five notable events: (i) The return to the Gold Standard, which placed the British export trade under overwhelming disabilities, thereby contributing to the attack on the miners' wages; (ii) The General Strike, which directly arose out of these events; (iii) A great debate in the House of Commons on the Prayer Book; (iv) The steady decline of British agriculture; and (v) The steadily growing contempt of British air power to Air in rank.

### The General Strike

The General Strike, which was a labour strike, was the very thing which Stanley Bal-

win, himself once on Iron Industrial in Worcester, sincerely wished to avert. He wanted to see restored the old, paternal industrialism of his forebears.

Once the strike had begun, the man who had drifted into it showed astonishing energy. His speeches rallied the forces of order and calmed the nation. They reassured that "other nation," too, the millions of workmen who had struck simply in sympathy with the miners. The strike was almost everywhere conducted with a moderation and good temper which astonished the world. In ten days it was all over.

Baldwin was the hero of the hour. He had prayed "Give Peace in our time, O Lord!" But when he had the chance to bind up the wounds he went to sleep again. "The shores of the Front Bench reverberate throughout the land," said Tory M.P. Moore Brabazon, a remark which kept him out of Tory Governments for the next 10 years.

At the 1928 General Election these shores, combined with the timid slogan "Safety First!" put the Government themselves out. It required another dose of Socialism in office to bring them back—in coalition with the chief architect of disaster, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald himself.

### Heroic Man

There followed three years in which MacDonald went through the motions of being Premier while Baldwin, in fact, dictated them. In this period unemployment was gradually reduced and Protection adopted as the national policy.

The years were clouded in increasingly by the rise of the menacing Nazi power in Germany. More clearly than most contemporaries Baldwin realised the inevitable end. "Our frontier is on the Rhine," he warned.

The Left in British politics agreed. But they did little that was effective to support the only answer—rearmament. This was the time when well-meaning processions marching to Trafalgar square with banners "Down with Hitler!" bumped into other well-meaning processions with banners "Scholarships, not battle-ships!"

The one politician with a plan to "down Hitler" with the only thing Hitler understood was Mr. Churchill. He showed, in one massive speech after another, how Hitler's power for mischief was outstripping every power for restraint. But year after year Baldwin resisted his pleas for faster rearmament, denied his figures.

Two explanations have been offered, and perhaps there is some truth in both. (1) Baldwin did not know the facts; he relied on "the experts"; and (2) He did not choose to draw the only valid conclusions.

### The Menace

The first reason may be accounted for by his innate laziness. The second by his sense of what was possible in politics. When, later, he admitted that if he had gone all out on rearmament at the general election of 1935 he would have lost it, he was condemned for his cynicism.

What he meant perhaps was that if Labour had come into

power on a Pacifist vote even less would have been done to prepare Britain for the coming war.

As it was, the thing was done without sufficient vigour or imagination—and Dunkirk was the result. The other result of 1935 was—1945. Mr. Churchill, at the election on the failure of Mr. Baldwin before the war.

All this still lay in the womb of time. Other things agitated the British public. One was due to elevate Baldwin to pinnacle almost as high in the hearts of the people as the one from which it cast down the principal actor.

### The Abdication

This was the Abdication. It came as a staggering shock to millions, even including members of the House of Commons. Baldwin had long known the circumstances which were leading to this also inevitable end. Yet it seems he had taken no effective steps to deal with it.

Yet, again when the crisis broke he rose to it, handled it superbly. "I know how the English people will react to anything," was one of the few boasts he permitted himself.

He knew how they would take this blow all right. Odd, that he could not foresee how they would take Dunkirk. He received the mightiest cheer of all except the new King and Queen when he drove in his carriage to the Coronation.

It was his last and his greatest triumph. Raked to the verge as an earl, the man who had been so long "plain Mister Baldwin" passed off the busy scene of politics to his beloved Worcester farms and markets.

The shadows were closing in for the long night of terror over

## "White Race Doomed"

Sydney, Dec. 23. Archbishop Duhig of St. Stephen's Roman Catholic Cathedral said today that if the House of Lords decision on marriages remains in effect the "white race is doomed."

The Archbishop said the Lords decision handed down by Lord Jowitt that children were not the principle aim of marriage "completely rejected Christ's teaching."

He said it came at a time "when the coloured races are multiplying and threatening the future of the Empire."—United Press.

Europe. He gave no warning. He was out of the game now. His lips were sealed, as he had said in one of those bitter lutes over rearmament with Churchill.

They remained so. When the disasters of Norway and France laid bare the weaknesses of Britain's defences angry and recriminatory voices denounced the man who had been Premier in the preparatory years and "got out, just in time."

He never replied. He did not blame "the experts." He did not excuse himself. But though he pretended to the last that he did not mind what people said, of him, and feared only his own conscience, Baldwin was deeply wounded.

Perhaps in his heart the old man hoped that he, who had twice risen from shameful neglect to supreme action to save the State, would once again be accorded the chance "to serve his generation."

Frank Owen

## Difficulties Of Aid To China

London, Dec. 23.

"The danger to the Chinese Government, if it sacrifices its country's jealously preserved sovereignty and the probable insistence by any foreign power on a strict supervision of further money and supplies, makes it 'peculiarly difficult for the Americans or anyone else to join in a Marshall Plan' for China," the Liberal weekly Economist said today.

The paper declared that "the reproaches against President Chiang Kai-shek for his alleged 'selling of China to U.S. imperialism' make it politically very difficult for the American Government, however convinced it may be of the need for bolstering up the Chinese Government, to justify to Congress a large expenditure for China."

"Corruption and the maladministration of funds" made it difficult to ensure that any assistance to China will achieve the ends for which it was intended.

The article compared the situation in China to the "cold war" between the Big Four Foreign Ministers and the recent "hot" one with Hitler, and concluded that the Chinese civil war was "topical."

The Communists were better at running away than at pitched

## PM ON CHINA

New York, Dec. 23.

The newspaper PM, in a dispatch from Washington, today interpreted Congressional developments regarding China as meaning that "despite the obvious reluctance of the State Department, the United States is being driven toward a policy of all-out help to Chiang Kai-shek."

"What has happened in the past two weeks is that by an extraordinary pressure campaign on the part of a few Congressional Republicans, Marshall is being forced into a China policy contrary to his own recommendations and the advice of many China experts in his department. A shift in policy—by Chiang Kai-shek's admirers—have their way fully—means not only economic help to the Nationalist Government but also military help in every phase needed to crush the Chinese Communists."—United Press.

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## ENGINEERING PAGE

# Fluorescent Lighting

## Cold Cathode Tubes

### "Bronco" A Realistic Toy Horse

A realistic toy which makes the ordinary rocking horse as out of date as a pre-war automobile, the "Bronco" was the result of a brainwave which came to Harry Sebel almost in a flash at the end of a long conference.

Before the war, the firm made architectural ironwork, while during the war it concentrated on gun-wheels, radar masts, tank parts and aircraft components, torpedo racks and sections for the famous "Mulberry Harbour." The staff had to be expanded enormously and when Sebel was trying to think of a way of keeping his employees on when the war ended, he thought of toys.

Toys seemed the quickest and safest way of securing stable employment for his workers, for a customer for toys is born nearly every minute! Then he hit on an idea that was to revolutionise the toy-making industry—a "galloping rocking horse."

He rapidly sketched a simple mechanism that would enable almost any animal toy to move at a speed of four miles an hour. A model was made up, and in a taxidermist's shop in the Old Kent Road he found the body for it. A few days later, a full-size Zebra was walking about in his backyard. It is today a treasured museum piece.

Stuffed animal skins, however, proved impracticable. An artist designed the desired animal in clay and then made a plaster cast from his original. Eventually the moulds taken from these sculptures were reproduced by giant presses in sheet steel.

The result is the "Bronco"—a "horse" that looks the real thing in miniature, which gallops indefinitely, fast or slow, as the rider wishes. There is no complicated mechanism, no clockwork. Mounted sturdily on its own four legs it is safer than most rocking horses, and is ridden the same way as any ordinary horse.

Although it is the most spectacular, the "Bronco" is only part of the Sebel range of toys, none of which follow the stereotyped patterns, yet all of which have been time-tested and proved to more than live up to the claims made for them.

These toys, for which Davie, Boag & Co. are local agents, include a rocker-swing, a merry-go-round, a multi-purpose chairdesk, and roller skates designed for the tiny beginner.

### Ingenious Logging Device On Bush Radios

An original logging device, named the "Telefile," is fitted to the new Bush all-wave radio receiver designed specially for the number-dial on an automatic telephone, the "Telefile" allows a number to any short-wave station desired and, once received, the tuning of that station in future becomes an easy matter.

The set is designed to work on AC current or from a vibrator pack fed by a 6-volt car battery. The vibrator is plugged into the socket of the rectifying valve and fits conveniently inside the cabinet. The set itself works on wave-lengths between 13.5 metres and 560 metres (22 megacycles to 550 kilocycles).

As the set is designed for export, Bush were able to make it somewhat more colourful and ambitious than conditions allow for the home market. The cabinet is in tropical plywood, veneered with sapele, giving it a warm satin finish.

The moulded escutcheon and lower panel are in white plastic, providing a strong contrast to the dark wood-grain effect.

In view of the interest recently displayed in Cold Cathode Fluorescent Lighting in connection with the new Cotton Mills which are to be erected in Kowloon it would seem that a few words in describing this particular form of lighting would not be without some interest to the general and engineering public.

This particular form of lighting is by no means new to this Colony as an installation was carried out by the British General Electric Co. Ltd. in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel as long ago as 1938/39 and a very pleasing lighting effect was obtained. Some of this installation has now been transferred to the verandah of the dining room on the first floor and although originally installed in 1938/39 the tubes are still giving good service, bearing out the claim of the Manufacturers that the life of the tubes is 6,000 hours or more.

The advantages of light sources spread over large areas, of low surface brightness, of low voltage, vitality and flexibility have been more and more appreciated during recent years, and this system of lighting offers all these advantages combined with an efficiency in terms of light output for current consumed that can only be described as remarkable.

For some time past advanced experimenters in the lighting field have realised that electric discharge tubes offered many of the advantages outlined above, but their low efficiency in comparison with capital cost and expense of maintenance ruled them out as a serious rival to incandescent lamp lighting.

Today, thanks to the work carried out at the Research Laboratories of the General Electric Co. of England at Wembley, all this has been altered and electric discharge tubes of high illumination efficiency, and an ever increasing variety of colours are available as a practical source for economic and effective lighting.

The secret of the development lies in the discovery and commercial perfecting of various types of fluorescent powders which, when affixed to a patent process on the inside of the tubes, takes the invisible and, from a lighting point of view, useless radiations of the electric discharge and converts them into visible light radiation of varying colours. By this process, with careful selection of fluorescent coatings, not only can a widely increased range of colours be provided, but the light, added by conversion of the invisible energy, is of an order to make the total output two, or even three and even more times as great as it was originally.

Osram Cold Cathode Fluorescent Tubes depend for their remarkable efficiency on patent processes whereby the fluorescent powders are coated on the inside of the tubes and not fused into the actual glass wall. By this method full advantage is taken of the actual effects of the invisible rays which would otherwise be largely absorbed by the glass before reaching the fluorescent material.

Some of the many quantities of such lighting for decorative interior illumination are:

#### Decorative Effects

Anyone who has seen a rainbow is aware that white light can be split into bands of light of every colour. With electric discharge lighting the position is reversed, and, by blending lines of light of suitable colour, the decorative effect of the rainbow is retained with a resultant combined light quality approximately to white. By varying the percentage of different colours, pleasing warm tones can be obtained. In visible direct lighting installation lines of soft pastel shades enhance the beauty of the decorative surroundings. When placed behind glass or used for indirect lighting various combined shades of agreeable tone can be obtained.

The low surface brightness of individual tubes allows them to be installed as visible light sources on walls or ceiling with-

knobs are black. The fabric in the loudspeaker opening is a white rayon plastic with vertical red lines, and is proof against damp and insects and impervious to light.

with a dimmer on each colour, a very wide range of beautiful shades can be obtained.

(g) 2 White and 1 Pink. Resultant colour—a pleasing approximation to daylight. Very good on human faces and fabrics.

(h) 2 White and 1 Gold. Resultant colour—Near daylight. Particularly good on fabrics.

The latest development for industrial use is the introduction of daylight, warm white and intermediate white tubes, these have the same colour rendering of the relative Hot Cathode Tubes—i.e. the 4-ft. and 5-ft. Fluorescent tubes which are now in general use but the efficiency and life of the Cold Cathode Tubes are much higher.

The system of electric discharge tube lighting referred to will only operate off A.C. supplies.

The tubes are of the high tension type and it is therefore necessary to have suitable space available as near the tubes as possible to accommodate the requisite transformers. In the case of the industrial type of fittings the transformers and power factor correction condensers are housed in the actual fitting.

Tubes are normally manufactured in lengths not exceeding 8' 6" visible length with electrodes at each end, but where the tube is bent, longer runs may be supplied provided that the maximum overall length does not exceed 9' 6" one way by 2' 6" the other. Even in such cases, however, it is undesirable to exceed 11' 6" in a single length.

#### Dimming

Tubes can be dimmed by means of adjustable chokes, but unlike incandescent lamps, they cannot be dimmed right out. There comes a stage in dimming at which the discharge begins to flicker, and for this reason dimming can only be carried out to a point where approximately 25% of the initial light remains. For purposes of colour mixing in indirect lighting, this degree of dimming combined with 'on' and 'off' switches for each circuit, gives all the flexibility required.

#### Power Factor

The uncorrected power factor is in the order of 0.85 to 0.9 but requisite condensers are supplied with the tubes to bring this up to 0.85. The 8' 6" tube consumes approximately 70 watts, therefore a three tube unit would absorb the following:—3x70=210 watts and would give an average lumen output of 210x31=6,510 lumens or 766 lumens per foot of triple tube or 256 lumens per watt of single tube.

The Spanish authorities are of the opinion that the Madrid transport system should be modernised. As a result they have ordered 30 chassis for double-deck buses from a British firm, Guy Motors Company. The coachwork is to be supplied by Spanish manufacturers.

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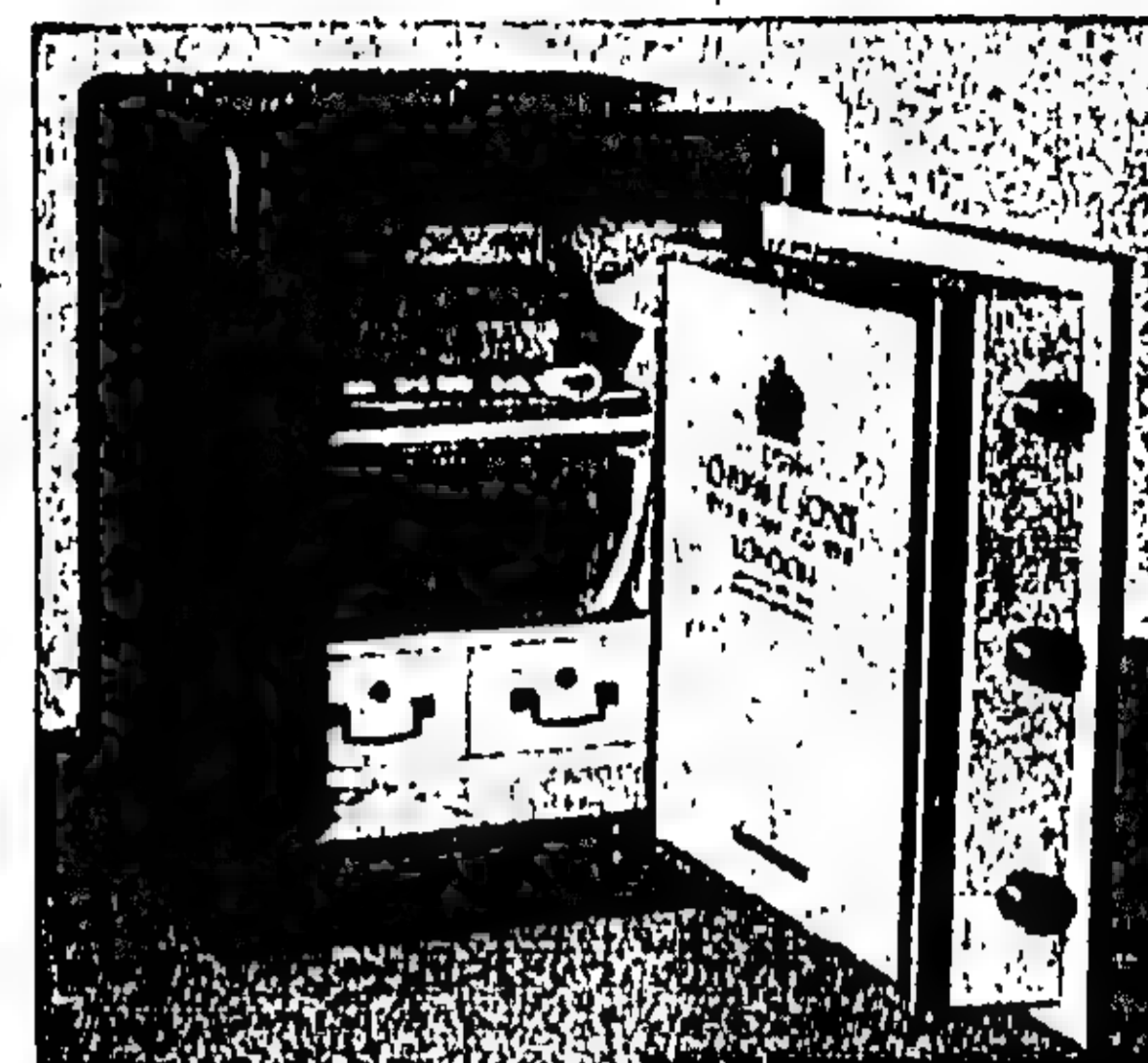
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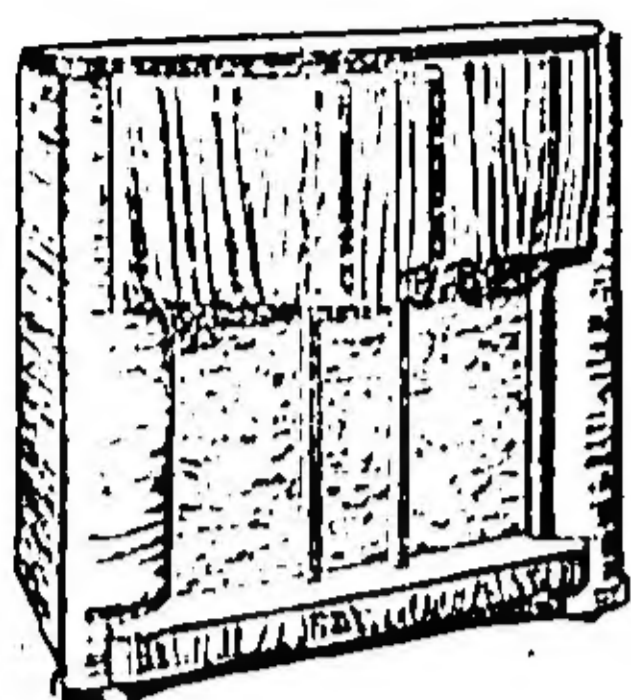
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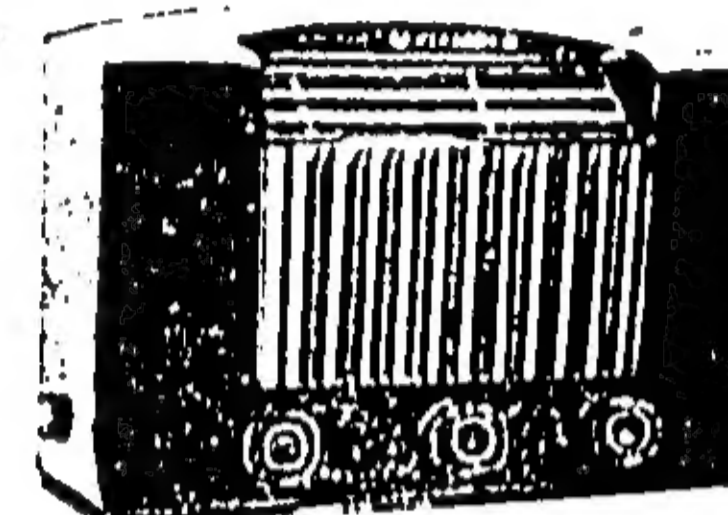
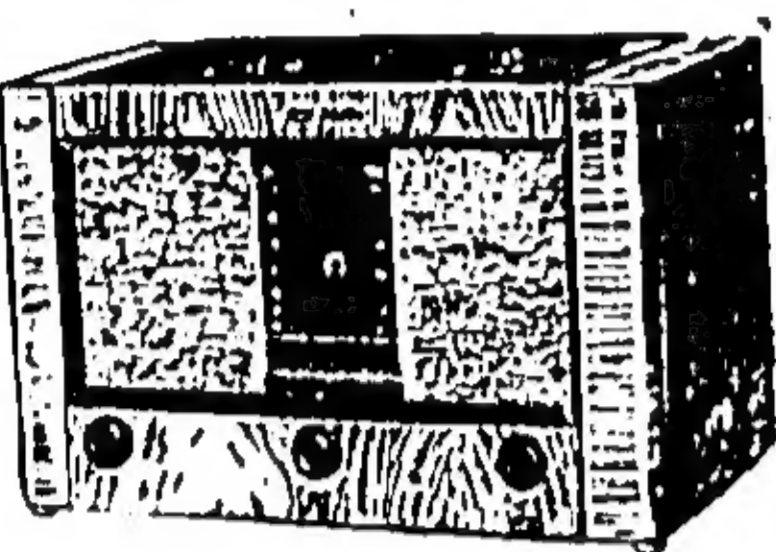


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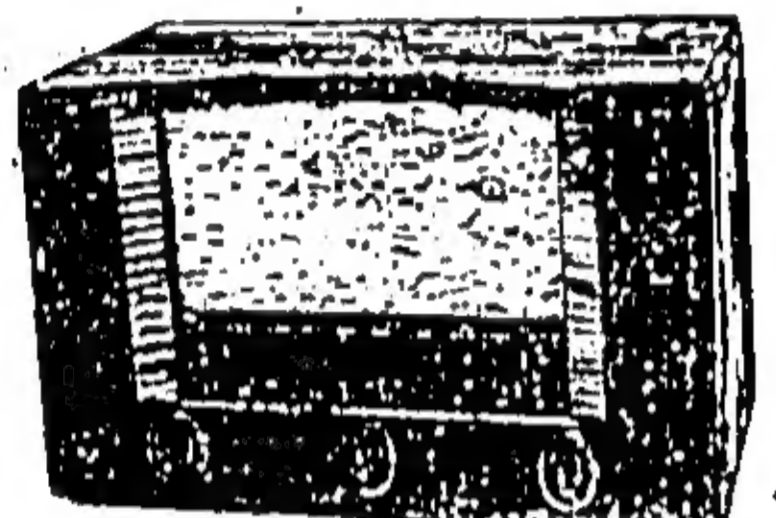


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# LIBYA THE NEXT PERIL? Warning By Independence Leader In London Palestine Held Up As Example

London, Dec. 23.  
Mr. Mahdi Bennouna, delegate of the North African independence movement to the United Nations, told a press conference in London today that Britain's passive policy towards Libya might result in a disaster equal to that of Palestine.

## Windjammer Arrives In London

LONDON, DEC. 23.  
A PICTURESQUE FOUR-MASTED BARQUE, HER ONE-ACRE OF WHITE CANVASS GLEAMING MAJESTICALLY ABOVE THE MODERN VESSELS ABOUT HER, REACHED THE ENGLISH COAST TODAY AFTER AN 80-DAY CARGO VOYAGE OF 15,000 MILES FROM NEW ZEALAND.

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## Carpenter's Lapse

Li Kwong, 26, carpenter, was sentenced to 18 months' hard labour by Mr. W.H. Latimer at Kowloon on Tuesday when he pleaded guilty to the larceny of a gold finger ring and \$550 in cash.

Det. Sub-Inspector J. R. Sykes said that defendant was employed by Mak Tak-keung (35) who had a shop at 76 Sai Yee Street.

On Nov. 23 complainant went out leaving defendant in charge of the workshop.

On his return, Mak found that a drawer in his desk had been forced open and that a ring, valued at \$25, and \$550 in cash had been stolen. Defendant had absconded.

Complainant reported to the Mong Kok Police Station but nothing further happened until Dec. 18, when accused returned for his clothes.

He was detained by Mak and taken to the Police Station.

There he admitted the theft. The ring, he said, had been sold and the proceeds, together with the \$550, spent.

## SWEDISH XMAS

Stockholm, Dec. 23.  
Swedes will celebrate this Christmas warmer, better-fed and better-dressed than in any year since the war. Rations of meat, bread, butter, coffee, tea, cocoa and so on are ample, but electricity has been rationed for the first time and this has made the traditional illuminations and decorations impossible.—United Press.

"A partition of Libya is beginning to be imminent", he said. "Britain is bearing a great responsibility with her do nothing attitude because her troops still occupy Libya. If this country is to be returned to Italy, it is Britain who will have to do it and hand over the administration to the Italians."

"To the Libyans, to us North Africans, and to the Arabs as a whole, Britain must say her word."

Mr. Bennouna said that the American attitude on Libya was affected by two factors: They had a natural pro-Italian feeling. The Truman doctrine and the Marshall plan to combat Communism in

## Off To Sandringham

London, Dec. 23.  
The King and Queen with other members of the Royal family left here by special train yesterday for their usual Christmas holiday at Sandringham, the Royal estate in Norfolk.

The King's message to the nation and Empire will be broadcast from there at 1500 GMT on Dec. 25.—Associated Press.

Europe are aimed at strengthening Italy—even at the expense of the Libyans.

Russia, too, was using the Libyan question for a double purpose. Russia opposed the return of African colonies to Italy as a way to weaken that country and drive it into the Eastern bloc.

Russia also wanted to gain the sympathies of the colonized population by advocating their liberation.

Mr. Bennouna added that all the North African countries would do everything possible now and in the future to preserve Libya as an Arab country and to defend it against partition or against "any other kind of aggressive solution".

Tripoli, Cyrenaica and Fezzan could never be separated as they were the three complementary parts of one economic unity. The annihilation of one would make the existence of the others impossible.—Reuter.

## Indonesian Charges

Batavia, Dec. 23.  
The Indonesian Republic today said Dutch forces killed 300 civilians and wounded 200 others over a four-day period in the Kalawang area, 60 miles east of Batavia.

The Republican Information Ministry said in a statement that action referred to by the Dutch as "mopping up" occurred between Dec. 9 and 12.

The statement said the Dutch admitted such action in a communiqué referring to action taken against "roving bands in the Kalawang area." The Dutch communiqué had said, "These bands have now been rendered harmless."—United Press.



Colonel Nikolai Alexandrovich Filatov, leader of the Soviet Military Mission expelled from France, has a chat on the platform at the Gare d'Orléans, Paris, before boarding a Moscow-bound train. (AP Photo)

## Communist Organs' Latest Effort

London, Dec. 23.  
Nazis are being recruited in West Germany to fight in Greece, Turkey and Indonesia, the Communist organ, the Daily Worker, declared under big headlines on its front page today.

The paper also alleged that Nazi "thugs" are being recruited for South Africa, "where they will stiffen the ranks of the extreme reactionaries."

The American and British authorities in Germany, the paper said, "always refusing to put these people in gaol, are actively engaged in supplying them as gunmen to clients in those four areas."

"For Indonesia, the process is a simple one. The thugs are smuggled out of North Germany to a centre in Amsterdam and then dispatched to fight against the Indonesians."

The Daily Worker said that a correspondent of the Soviet Communist Party organ, Pravda, "has investigated the recruiting stations" where the "thugs" are enrolled.

"A whole motorised division has been sent to Java, composed of ex-members of the Hitlerite armed forces."

"They are under the command of a certain Colonel Mueller, who was responsible for the massacre of a large number of Czechoslovak anti-Fascist students in 1943."—Reuter.

## MAY GO HOME

Singapore, Dec. 23.  
Former Premier Sutan Sjahrir of Indonesia, now Ambassador at large for the Republic, said today there is a possibility he may return home to participate personally in long-pending negotiations between the Netherlands and the Republic.—Associated Press.

## Crowd Of Stowaways In Liner

Southampton, Dec. 23.  
A group of 32 stowaways, 31 young West Indians and a 15-year-old Welsh boy, from the Royal Mail Liner Almazora, landed when she reached here today from the West Indies.

The West Indians, who are thought to have got on board at Kingston, Jamaica, were discovered when the liner's 670 Service and civilian passengers landed today.

Most of the stowaways were in clothes, but one or two wore R-yul Air Force battle dress. They were taken to police headquarters and all will appear at the magistrate's court tomorrow.

The 15-year-old boy on board the Almazora, on a voyage from Southampton to the West Indies and back, was John Francis Chapman, of Newport, Monmouthshire.

At the suggestion of the ship's captain, the company decided not to prosecute John on account of his age. John left Southampton tonight with his father, who travelled from Newport to meet the ship.—Reuter.

## Germany's Aid Needs

Berlin, Dec. 23.  
The American and British Military Governments today said that Western Germany would need approximately US\$4,000,000,000 in Marshall Plan aid during the next five years to help pay the nation's food bill and make up the difference between exports and imports.

Economic experts, in a detailed outline sent to Washington, forecast a deficit in British-American zone exports under imports amounting to US\$1,373,000,000 in 1948 alone and said food imports would cost US\$700,000,000 next year.

Working on the theory that "priming the pump" with Marshall Plan dollars would cause a steady increase in exports, the authorities predicted that import needs for successive years would shrink gradually.

Foreseeable deficits which Marshall Plan aid would have to offset were listed as follows: US\$1,100,000,000 in 1949, US\$94,500,000 in 1950, US\$84,000,000 in 1951, US\$242,000,000 in 1952.—United Press.

## TRAIN DISASTER

Neuwied, near Coblenz, Dec. 23.  
Official investigators late this afternoon put the death toll in last night's train accident here at 40 dead and 99 injured, with at least 60 per cent of the latter in serious condition.—United Press.



The bodies of the dead and injured victims of the Koblenz train disaster, headed by Alfred Krupp, Von Rothen and Halbach, began in Neuwied, Germany, on Dec. 2. They faced an American military tribunal charged with war crimes which included mass murder.—(AP Photo)

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"ORMARA"	Amoy	17th Jan.
"EMPIRE BRENT"	Shanghai	24th Jan.
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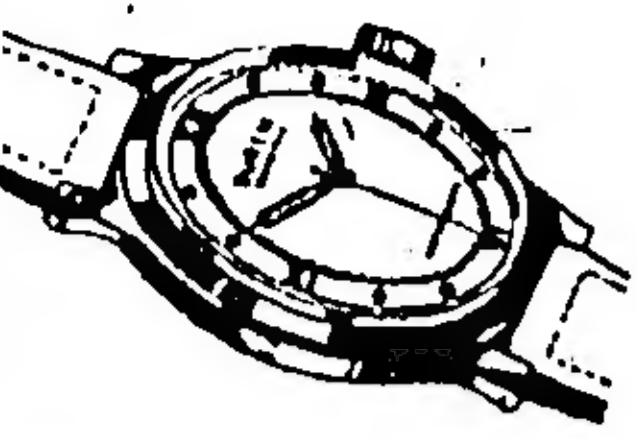
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## NEEDLE GAMES FEATURED IN SOFTBALL

### Quadrangular Rugger Games

### Saints To Grapple With Canucks

Chief interest in Saturday's Quadrangular Rugger games will be focussed on the first meeting of the Club and the Army on the Club Ground at 3.15. The Club have so far won both their matches, whereas the Army were beaten by the Navy last weekend.

The Club, however, are not a convincing combination at the moment and the Army backs have the makings of a very dangerous combination who may well give the Club defence a severe headache, especially on the larger Club ground, where their speedy wings should show to every advantage. Club as usual should have an advantage forward, though they will not be at full strength, Fawcett still being on the injured list and Small and Brown having moved to the three-quarter line.

If the Army, as they well may, can win, they will level up with the Club with two wins each and, probably, the Navy also who, on the other hand, should easily dispose of the R.A.F. and Police in the other game at 3.15.

The present positions are as follows:

	P.	W.	L.	Pts.	Pts. for next
Club	2	2	0	27	9
Navy	2	1	1	17	14
Army	2	1	1	9	11
R.A.F. & Police	2	0	2	3	22

The Rugby Football fixtures for Saturday on the Club ground are: R.A.F. & Police v. Navy, 3.15; Club v. Army, 3.15.

### HOME RUGBY

England's rugby union team, continuing their new international tour to oppose Australia at Twickenham on January 3, was announced today as follows: S. Newman, (Oxford University) R. Guss (Waterloo), N. Bennett (United Services), E. Scott (Redoubt), D. Swarbrick (Oxford University), N. Hull (Hoslyn Park), R. Madge (Exeter), G. Gibbs (Bristol), J. Keeling (Guy's Hospital), H. Walker (Coventry), J. Mycock (Sale), S. Perry (Cambridge University), B. Steele-Rodger (Edinburgh University), B. Vaughn (Dover), B. Travers (Oxford University).

The three players to gain full caps for the first time are: Keeling (hooker), Madge (scrum-half), and Vaughn.

Newman is a South African and Travers an Australian.—Reuter.

Needle games in both the Men's "A" Division and Ladies Loop feature the programme for this week-end, as the Saints grapple with the Canadians at 11.15 a.m. on Sunday at the C.B.A. Ground, while the Wahos cross bats with the Wildcats at 2.30 in a game which all keen ball-fans have been waiting for.

The Madcaps come up against their last hurdle in the senior loop when they meet a much reinforced Filipino contingent at 9.30 a.m. The Ramblings Rees take on the South China outfit on their own Diamond at King's Park. Ever since the Saints were downed by the Rees on the Opening Day, they have settled down to serious business and have enjoyed a winning streak of four games, and the reason they have not figured prominently in the batting race is that they have been content to utilise their substitutes in most games, saving their hits for a rainy day. The Day having come, Stan Leonard will field his strongest nine, featuring his famous "murderer's row" of Dave "El Bambino" Leonard, Stan himself and Jindoo "Muscle" Hussain. The Day did not earn his sobriquet on good looks and proved that his swing is still dangerous as he smacked the apple right out of the park recently for the longest hit this season. Stan Leonard is batting currently 450 and if he fails there will still be Jindoo Hussain.

**Giant Killer**  
Everybody loves to be a giant-killer, and Canuck Chief Bill Woo is no exception, for he has sworn to humble the mighty Saints—even if he won't beat anybody else. The Canucks played a swell brand of ball last week and it was only after fifteen gruelling innings that the Rees managed to beat them. They may, or may not, be able to do it, but we leave it to you to judge from the line-ups:

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## Chelsea v. Portsmouth



In the Portsmouth goalmouth during Chelsea v. Portsmouth Football.  
Ernie Butler, the Portsmouth goalkeeper, dives full length to steer a shot by Tommy Walker, inside left for Chelsea, round the post, during the match between Chelsea and Portsmouth at Stamford Bridge, London, this afternoon, December 13. Score Chelsea 1, Portsmouth 0.—AP Photo.

## GREEK CORRESPONDENT ON THE WAY OUT

New York, Dec. 23. Deportation proceedings were started today by the United States Department of Justice against a Greek correspondent accredited to the United Nations, who, the Department of Justice maintains, is a member of an organization advocating the overthrow of the United States Government.

The correspondent, M. Nicholas Kyriazides, has refused to answer questions put to him by an Immigration Service examiner.

"I will not answer," M. Kyriazides kept repeating as the examiner sought to learn his relationship with three Greek newspapers.

The proceedings were opened despite previous indications of a postponement while United States officials weighed the possibility that the action violated an agreement with the United Nations.

Mr. Isadore Engelander, attorney for M. Kyriazides, challenged the jurisdiction of the hearing authorities in his opening remarks, asserting that under Federal law the only issue was whether the Greek correspondent is duly accredited to the United Nations and that the other questions were improper.

"There are very important considerations in this case, not only for this man, but for the press and correspondents all over the world," he declared.

The presiding inspector ruled that the hearing would determine if the Department of Justice had jurisdiction and if there was sufficient basis for a warrant against M. Kyriazides.

The examiner, who sought unsuccessfully to learn if two of the papers M. Kyriazides represented were Communist, adjourned the hearing until later today.

**Going Ahead**  
The State Department in Washington said today that the United States was going ahead with deportation proceedings against M. Kyriazides in spite of a "re-

## U.S. REPORTS DETAILS OF PERSIA PACT

### Military Experts Of Other Powers Barred

New York, Dec. 23. The United States, acting under its "open diplomatic policy," has reported to the United Nations the details of a pact signed with Persia at Teheran in October, under which a United States military mission will assist in "enhancing the efficiency of the Persian Army."

The pact includes a clause which prevents military experts of other powers from dealing with Persian Army affairs without the consent of the United States.

The agreement is effective from October 6, 1947, to March 20, 1949.

The Persian Government has the right to extend the agreement if it wishes and it can be terminated by either Government at any time on a written notice that the Government considers it necessary due to domestic disturbances or foreign hostilities.

The duties of the United States mission will be to advise and assist the Persian Ministry of War and the subordinate sections of the Persian General Staff on organization, administrative principles and training methods.

Advice on tactical and strategic plans or operations against a foreign enemy are excluded from the mission's tasks.

The pact also provides that mission members will be paid by Persia in American currency and not be taxed by Persia. The Persian Government will also pay part of the living expenses of the mission and one-third of its transport costs.

State Department official said tonight that the pact merely continued an arrangement in force since 1942. This was the first time this agreement between the two countries had been brought under the official notice of the United Nations because this was the first time it had been renewed since the United Nations were established. The terms of the agreement had not been changed in any material way and it was not contemplated that American personnel in Persia would now be strengthened.—Reuter.

## CRICKET

The following will represent Club de Reccelo at cricket against Craigenpower Cricket Club on Saturday at the Valley:

E. L. Gosano (Capt.), A. M. Rodrigues, A. P. Pereira, Jr., P. M. N. da Silva, Jr., L. G. Gosano, G. N. Gosano, J. M. Gosano, H. A. Barros, A. P. Ricci-Pereira, A. A. Guterres and D. M. Rodrigues.

The following will represent the Army against Hong Kong Cricket Club in the Quadrangular Cricket Tournament on Friday and Saturday. Capt. Darwin, Maj. Murray Brown, Major Hope, Capt. Drew, Lt. Stepto, Lt. Forrow, Capt. Roberts, Major Majendie, Lt. Broadley, Major Slane and Capt. "Blondie" Blair.

The following are the teams for the Intra Club game at Craigenpower Cricket Club on Boxing Day.

Married:—C. W. Lam (Capt.), G. Hong Choy, H. P. Lim, T. E. Yoon, A. H. Imami, D. Leonard, J. J. Leonard, A. Kurumori, T. Leonard, W. Hong Sling, S. Singles.—S. Ramchand (Capt.), R. R. Imanes, P. J. Billmorio, I. M. Omar, L. Wong, A. M. Omar, N. Leonard, S. Leonard, A. N. Other, C. S. Carr, P. Esmail. Scorer: G. Souza.

## K.C.C. BOWLS

The following bowls team will represent Kowloon Cricket Club against Filipino Club at the Filipino Club on Sunday, December 28, at 2.30 p.m.—A. C. Tribble, A. Steven, A. L. G. Eastman, F. G. Goodwin (skip), H. Gitting, T. Lock, J. Orem, J. Fraser (skip), D. Hung, W. H. Bailey, J. F. Forrest, E. C. Fircher (skip).

Members unable to play are asked to phone T. A. Madar Tel. 25607.

## SHEFFIELD SHIELD

Adelaide, Dec. 23. Despite a patient innings of 108 in 3 hours 41 minutes by their captain, Phil Ridings, and a stylish 72 in two and a quarter hours by Test player Ron Hamner, South Australia failed by eight runs to save the follow on today in their Sheffield Shield match with New South Wales.

South Australia, 150 for 3 overnight, were out for 352 in reply to the New South Wales total of 509. Following on 157 runs behind, South Australia were 27 for 2 at the close.—Reuter.

## BASEBALL BASIS

Philadelphia, Dec. 23. Connie Mack, still one of baseball's shrewdest managers, is 85 years old today and his birthday prophecy flatly rejected major league expansion to the Pacific Coast.

"There never will be a third major league and I do not think either the American or National League should become a 10 team circuit as suggested by West Coast people," Mack said.

"Major league baseball can never be profitable if it extends from New York to Los Angeles.—Associated Press.

## Kaiser Shifted From Office

Hamburg, Dec. 23. Jakob Kaiser, chairman of the Christian Democratic Union of Germany, and Dr. Ernst Lemmer, joint chairman of the party in the Soviet Zone, "removed from office" last week on Russian orders, said in Berlin today that only a party congress in Berlin, convened according to the party's regulations and free to make a decision, could decide whether they were to remain in office.

The statement was issued by the party's headquarters in the Soviet sector of Berlin.

In his statement, Herr Kaiser declared that he and Lemmer were "obstructed by the interference of the Soviet military administration," in fulfilling their tasks and responsibilities for the Christian Democratic Union in the Soviet Zone.

From their interference it must be concluded that there was no longer any possibility of taking the democratic way by pursuing an independent policy in the Soviet Zone.


Kaiser said that it was impossible to continue the Union's policy in the eastern zone of Germany. He would remain in Berlin, where he would serve the rebirth of Germany.

"From the very start the Christian Democratic Union opposed the tendencies prevailing in the eastern zone aiming at Marxism and totalitarian unity," Dr. Kaiser said.

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